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A bill

to amend the South Carolina Code of Laws by amending Section 53-5-10, relating to Legal holidays enumerated; holiday schedules of public colleges and universities, so as to ESTABLISH GENERAL ELECTION DAY AS A STATE HOLIDAY.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 53‑5‑10 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

Section 53‑5‑10. (A) The first day of January—New Year’s Day, the third Monday of January—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the third Monday in February—George Washington’s birthday/President’s Day, the tenth day of May—Confederate Memorial Day, the last Monday of May—National Memorial Day, the fourth day of July—Independence Day, the first Monday in September—Labor Day, the eleventh day of November—Veterans Day, National Thanksgiving Day and the day after, and the twenty‑fourth, twenty‑fifth, and twenty‑sixth days of December in each year are legal holidays.

(B) The holiday schedules of public colleges and universities, including technical colleges, shall may not be in violation of this section so long as the number of holidays provided for in this section are not exceeded.

(C) General election day is a legal holiday in addition to the holidays provided in subsection (A).

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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