

HOUSE  
AMENDMENT

THIS AMENDMENT  
ADOPTED

GOOD/DOWNEY  
SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

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CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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REP. FINLAY PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT  
No.    TO S. 426 (KATIETURNER\MY  
DOCUMENTS\AMENDMENT FOR FULL II)):

REFERENCE IS TO PRINTER'S DATE 2/5/19-S.

**AMEND THE JOINT RESOLUTION, AS AND IF  
AMENDED, BY STRIKING ALL AFTER THE  
ENACTING WORDS AND INSERTING:**

**/ PART I**

**EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATIONS AND  
REIMBURSEMENT**

**SECTION 1. THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
RECEIVED FUNDS FROM THE FEDERAL**

**“CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT” (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE CARES ACT). A PORTION OF THOSE FUNDS HAVE BEEN REIMBURSED FOR AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES PURSUANT TO ACT 142 OF 2020. THE SOURCE OF REVENUE AUTHORIZED FOR EXPENDITURE AND REIMBURSEMENT IN SECTION 3 IS THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE CARES ACT FUNDS THAT REMAIN ON DEPOSIT IN THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED BY THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE PURSUANT TO ACT 135 OF 2020.**

**SECTION 2. (A) THE EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATIONS CONTAINED IN SECTION 3(A) AND (C) ARE SUPPLEMENTAL TO THE EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATIONS FOR THE SAME PURPOSES AS CONTAINED IN ACT 142 OF 2020. THE REMAINING EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATIONS CONTAINED IN SECTION 3 ARE FOR THE MAXIMUM AMOUNTS THAT MAY BE REIMBURSED**

**BY THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND.**

**(B) STATE AGENCIES, INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, INCLUDING TECHNICAL COLLEGES, COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS, AND HOSPITALS SHALL MAXIMIZE THE USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE IN THIS ACT WHEREVER POSSIBLE WITHIN THE ALLOWABLE USES. IF ANY REIMBURSEMENT TO ANY RECIPIENT, OR SUBRECIPIENT, RESULTING FROM AN AUTHORIZATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS DISALLOWED BY FEDERAL LAW, THEN THE RECIPIENT OR SUBRECIPIENT SHALL PROMPTLY RETURN THE FUNDS DISBURSED TO THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE FOR DEPOSIT IN THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND.**

**SECTION 3. STATE AGENCIES ARE AUTHORIZED TO EXPEND FEDERAL FUNDS IN THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND IF THE EXPENDITURE IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CARES ACT. THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE IS AUTHORIZED TO REIMBURSE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND, UP TO THE AMOUNTS LISTED BELOW IN EACH CATEGORY, EXPENDITURES COMPLIANT WITH THE CARES ACT**

**BY THE FOLLOWING SECTORS: STATE AGENCIES, INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS, AND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOSPITALS.**

- (A) DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL  
STATEWIDE TESTING AND MONITORING \$ 73,022,613**
- (B) MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
STATEWIDE TESTING \$ 20,150,000**
- (C) DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE  
UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND \$450,000,000**
- (E) DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION  
NONPROFIT (501(C)(3)) RELIEF PROGRAM \$ 25,000,000**
- (F) DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION  
MINORITY AND SMALL BUSINESS  
RELIEF PROGRAM \$ 50,000,000**
- (G) DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION  
STATE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, INDEPENDENT COLLEGE  
AND UNIVERSITY EXPENDITURES \$130,000,000**

## **PART II**

### **DIRECTIVES TO RECEIVING ENTITIES**

**SECTION 4. THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IS AUTHORIZED TO UTILIZE UNEXPENDED AUTHORIZATIONS CONTAINED SECTION 3(B) OF ACT 142 OF 2020 FOR THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE FOLLOWING:**

**(1) SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PURCHASING MASKS, GLOVES, WIPES, HAND SANITIZER, FACE SHIELDS, CLEANING SOLUTION, PLEXIGLAS, AND OTHER CLEANING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.**

**(2) ADDITIONAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY VIRTUAL SC IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19.**

**(3) HIRE OR CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL NURSE SERVICES FOR THOSE SCHOOLS THAT DO NOT HAVE A FULL-TIME SCHOOL NURSE.**

**(4) TUTORING, SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES, AND SUPPORT SERVICES TO INCLUDE SERVICES FOR UNENGAGED STUDENTS; INTERVENTIONISTS; AND AFTER SCHOOL LEARNING EXTENSIONS THAT PRIORITIZE FACE-TO-FACE INSTRUCTION FOCUSED ON STUDENTS WITH IDENTIFIED READING OR MATH DIFFICULTIES AND STUDENTS WITH IEPs TO ADDRESS DEFICITS RESULTING FROM COVID-19.**

**(5) TECHNOLOGY PURCHASES OF DEVICES AND CONNECTIVITY EQUIPMENT TO SUPPORT ONLINE LEARNING RESULTING FROM COVID-19.**

**IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT REIMBURSEMENTS FOR ITEM (1) - SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES - BE THE DEPARTMENT'S FIRST PRIORITY FOR REIMBURSEMENT.**

**SECTION 5. FROM ANY UNEXPENDED AUTHORIZATIONS CONTAINED IN SECTION 3(C) IN ACT 142 OF 2020, THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE IS AUTHORIZED TO REIMBURSE STATE AGENCIES FOR EXPENSES THAT WERE NECESSARY FOR THE RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY. STATE AGENCIES MAY APPLY FOR REIMBURSEMENT IN A SIMILAR MANNER AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 6 OF ACT 142 OF 2020.**

**SECTION 6. (A) THERE IS ESTABLISHED THROUGH THE SC CARES GRANT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM A NONPROFIT ENTITY REIMBURSEMENT GRANT PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM SHALL AWARD GRANTS TO QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ENTITIES TO REIMBURSE THE QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ENTITY FOR SOME, OR ALL, OF THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH TWO-MONTHS PAYROLL EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ENTITY BETWEEN MARCH 1, 2020 AND**

**DECEMBER 1, 2020. A QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ENTITY MAY RECEIVE A GRANT IN AN AMOUNT BETWEEN TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS. NONPROFIT ENTITIES MUST APPLY FOR GRANTS NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15, 2020.**

**(B)(1) APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS SHALL BE MADE TO THE PANEL ESTABLISHED IN ITEM (2). AN APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE THE PANEL WITH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE APPLICANT'S EXPENDITURES FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT SEEKS A GRANT. GRANTS SHALL BE AWARDED FOR QUALIFYING EXPENDITURES IN AMOUNTS DETERMINED BY THE PANEL. THE PANEL MAY ONLY AWARD A GRANT IF THE QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ENTITY EXPERIENCE AN INTERRUPTION IN BUSINESS DUE TO COVID-19. FIRST, PRIORITY SHALL BE GIVEN TO APPLICANTS THAT DID NOT RECEIVE OTHER ASSISTANCE, SUCH AS A PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM LOAN OR OTHER CARES FUNDS. THEN, PRIORITY SHALL BE GIVEN TO APPLICATIONS FOR EXPENDITURES RELATED TO (1) FOOD ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING PREPARED MEALS; (2) RENT OR MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE; (3) MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING; (4) HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE SUPPLIES; AND (5) ARTS AND CULTURAL ITEMS OR ACTIVITIES.**

**(2)(A) APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS SHALL BE EVALUATED AND AWARDED BY A PANEL CONSISTING OF:**

**(I) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, OR HIS DESIGNEE;**

**(II) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, OR HIS DESIGNEE;**

**(III) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, OR HIS DESIGNEE;**

**(IV) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, OR HIS DESIGNEE;**

**(V) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES, OR HIS DESIGNEE;**

**(VI) THE SECRETARY OF STATE, OR HIS DESIGNEE;**

**(VII) THE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA ARTS COMMISSION, OR HIS DESIGNEE; AND**

**(VIII) THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY, OR HIS DESIGNEE.**

**(B) THE PANEL SHALL MEET AS OFTEN AS IS NECESSARY TO FULFILL ITS OBLIGATIONS AS PROVIDED HEREIN. THE PANEL MAY UTILIZE REMOTE TECHNOLOGY FOR MEETINGS OR OTHER ACTIVITIES AS NECESSARY. THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION SHALL ASSIST WITH THE COORDINATION OF THE PANEL'S MEETINGS.**

**(C) THE PANEL SHALL DEVELOP AN APPLICATION AND ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR THE EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN, INCLUDING THE PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN ITEM (1). DURING ITS EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS, THE PANEL SHALL GIVE CONSIDERATION THE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE QUALIFYING EXPENDITURES SO THAT GRANTS ARE AWARDED ON A STATEWIDE BASIS.**

**(D) THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION SHALL PROVIDE STAFF SUPPORT FOR THE PANEL. THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH SC CARES ACT GRANT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, SHALL CONFIRM THAT ALL REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS IN THE GRANT APPLICATIONS COMPLY WITH FEDERAL CARES ACT REQUIREMENTS.**

**(C) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE NONPROFIT ENTITY REIMBURSEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, 'QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ENTITY' MEANS A 501(C)(3) WITH TWENTY-FIVE OR FEWER EMPLOYEES THAT HAS BEEN OPERATING IN SOUTH CAROLINA FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO THE GOVERNOR'S INITIAL COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION ON MARCH 13, 2020.**

**SECTION 7. (A) THERE IS ESTABLISHED THROUGH THE SC CARES GRANT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM A MINORITY BUSINESS AND**

**SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REIMBURSEMENT GRANT PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM SHALL AWARD GRANTS TO QUALIFYING MINORITY AND SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISES TO REIMBURSE THE MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE FOR SOME, OR ALL, OF THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH QUALIFYING EXPENDITURES INCURRED, OR EXPECTED TO BE INCURRED, BY THE QUALIFYING MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE BETWEEN MARCH 1, 2020, AND DECEMBER 1, 2020. A QUALIFYING MINORITY OR SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE MAY RECEIVE A GRANT IN AN AMOUNT UP TO TWICE ITS MONTHLY PAYROLL BEFORE COVID-19, INCLUDING THE OWNERS DRAW; HOWEVER, THE GRANT MAY NOT BE LESS THAN FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND MAY NOT EXCEED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS. MINORITY AND SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISES MUST APPLY FOR GRANTS NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15, 2020.**

**(B)(1) APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS SHALL BE MADE TO THE SC CARES ACT GRANT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM. AN APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE THE SC CARES ACT GRANT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE APPLICANT'S EXPENDITURES FOR WHICH THE APPLICANT SEEKS A GRANT. THE GRANT MANAGER SHALL EVALUATE GRANT APPLICATIONS TO CONFIRM THAT ALL REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS IN THE GRANT APPLICATIONS COMPLY WITH FEDERAL CARES ACT REQUIREMENTS. GRANTS SHALL BE AWARDED AND THE AMOUNT OF EACH GRANT AWARDED BY THE GRANT MANAGER. THE GRANT MANAGER MAY ONLY AWARD A GRANT IF THE QUALIFYING MINORITY OR SMALL BUSINESS EXPERIENCED AN INTERRUPTION IN BUSINESS DUE TO COVID-19. PRIORITY SHALL BE GIVEN TO MINORITY BUSINESSES AND TO APPLICANTS THAT DID NOT RECEIVE OTHER ASSISTANCE, SUCH AS A PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM LOAN OR OTHER CARES FUNDS, AND TO BUSINESSES WITH FIFTEEN OR FEWER EMPLOYEES WHO DEMONSTRATE THE GREATEST NEED.**

**(C) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE MINORITY BUSINESS AND SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REIMBURSEMENT GRANT PROGRAM:**

**(1) ‘ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS’ MEANS THOSE SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS WHOSE ABILITY TO COMPETE IN THE FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM HAS BEEN IMPAIRED DUE TO DIMINISHED CAPITAL AND CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES AS COMPARED TO OTHERS IN THE SAME BUSINESS AREA WHO ARE NOT SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED; AND**

**(2) ‘MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE’ MEANS A BUSINESS WITH TWENTY-FIVE OR FEWER EMPLOYEES THAT HAS BEEN OPERATING IN SOUTH CAROLINA FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO THE GOVERNOR’S INITIAL COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION ON MARCH 13, 2020, AND IS OWNED BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A UNITED STATES CITIZEN AND WHO IS ECONOMICALLY AND SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED; AND**

**(3) ‘SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE’ MEANS A BUSINESS WITH TWENTY-FIVE OR FEWER EMPLOYEES THAT HAS BEEN OPERATING IN SOUTH CAROLINA FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO THE GOVERNOR’S INITIAL COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION ON MARCH 13, 2020.**

**(4) ‘SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS’ MEANS THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS: AFRICAN-AMERICANS; HISPANIC AMERICANS; NATIVE AMERICANS (INCLUDING INDIVIDUALS RECOGNIZED AS AMERICAN INDIANS, ESKIMOS, ALEUTS AND NATIVE HAWAIIANS), AND ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICANS.**

**SECTION 8. THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL PURSUANT TO SECTION 3(A) MUST BE UTILIZED IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED FOR THE STATEWIDE TESTING PLAN ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 7 OF ACT 142 OF 2020.**

**SECTION 9. THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED FOR THE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA PURSUANT TO SECTION 3(B) FOR**

**STATEWIDE TESTING SHALL BE UTILIZED TO CONTINUE THE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY'S COVID-19 AT-RISK TESTING INITIATIVE.**

**SECTION 10. (A)(1) STATE AGENCIES, PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, AND SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS ARE AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENDITURES NECESSARY FOR THE RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, INCLUDING FOR EXPENSES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FIRST RESPONDERS, INCURRED, OR ARE EXPECTED TO BE INCURRED, BETWEEN JULY 1, 2020, AND DECEMBER 30, 2020. UP TO \$5,000,000 MAY BE USED FOR STATEWIDE TOURISM RECOVERY MARKETING AND DESTINATION SPECIFIC TOURISM RECOVERY MARKETING.**

**(2) INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, INCLUDING HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, ARE AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENDITURES THAT WERE NECESSARY FOR THE RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY INCURRED, OR ARE EXPECTED TO BE INCURRED, BETWEEN MARCH 1, 2020, AND DECEMBER 30, 2020.**

**(B) IF THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE DETERMINES THAT THE AMOUNT OF ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES THROUGH DECEMBER 30, 2020, EXCEEDS THE AUTHORIZATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN ACT 142 OF 2020 AND SECTION 3(G) OF THIS ACT, THEN THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE IS AUTHORIZED TO PRIORITIZE THE REMAINING REIMBURSEMENTS FOR EXPENSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF COVID-19 IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:**

**(1) INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING, INCLUDING MEMBER INSTITUTIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES NONPROFIT CORPORATION, FOR EXPENSES RELATED TO PROVIDING VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED FOR THE FALL 2020 SEMESTER;**

**(2) STATE AGENCIES;**

- (3) COUNTY GOVERNMENTS;**
- (4) MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS; AND**
- (5) SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS.**

**SECTION 11. TO ENSURE THAT THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA MAXIMIZES THE USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED THROUGH THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND, THE DIRECTOR OF THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE IS AUTHORIZED TO REALLOCATE ANY UNUSED AUTHORIZATION IN A PARTICULAR ENUMERATED ITEM IN THIS ACT AND IN ACT 142 OF 2020 TO ANY ENUMERATED ITEM FOR WHICH APPROVED REIMBURSEMENTS EXCEED THE AUTHORIZATION. THIS REALLOCATION MAY NOT BE IMPLEMENTED PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1, 2020. SHOULD THIS CONDITION BE MET IN MULTIPLE AUTHORIZATIONS, THE DIRECTOR SHALL REALLOCATE ANY UNUSED AUTHORIZATION ACCORDING THE FOLLOWING PRIORITIZATION:**

**(1) DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE - UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND**

**(2) DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL - STATEWIDE TESTING AND MONITORING**

**(3) MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA - STATEWIDE TESTING**

**(4) STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - USES AUTHORIZED IN SECTION 4 OF THIS ACT**

**(5) DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION - STATE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITY EXPENDITURES**

**(6) DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION - MINORITY BUSINESS RELIEF PROGRAM**

**(7) DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION - NONPROFIT (501(C)(3)) RELIEF PROGRAM**

**(8) DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION - EXECUTIVE BUDGET OFFICE HOSPITAL RELIEF PROGRAM**

**(9) ADJUTANT GENERAL - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION  
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT STOCKPILE AND SUPPLY CHAIN**

**(10) OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF - BROADBAND MAPPING AND  
PLANNING, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND MOBILE HOTSPOTS**

## **PART III**

### **MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

**SECTION 12. IF ANY SECTION, SUBSECTION, PARAGRAPH, SUBPARAGRAPH, SENTENCE, CLAUSE, PHRASE, OR WORD OF THIS ACT IS FOR ANY REASON HELD TO BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL OR INVALID, SUCH HOLDING SHALL NOT AFFECT THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OR VALIDITY OF THE REMAINING PORTIONS OF THIS ACT, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HEREBY DECLARING THAT IT WOULD HAVE PASSED THIS ACT, AND EACH AND EVERY SECTION, SUBSECTION, PARAGRAPH, SUBPARAGRAPH, SENTENCE, CLAUSE, PHRASE, AND WORD THEREOF, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE FACT THAT ANY ONE OR MORE OTHER SECTIONS, SUBSECTIONS, PARAGRAPHS, SUBPARAGRAPHS, SENTENCES, CLAUSES, PHRASES, OR WORDS HEREOF MAY BE DECLARED TO BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL, INVALID, OR OTHERWISE INEFFECTIVE.**

**SECTION 13. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT TAKE EFFECT UPON APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR. /**

**RENUMBER SECTIONS TO CONFORM.**

**AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM.**