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H 4601 General Bill, By C.Y. Waites, J.L.M. Cromer, T.F. Rogers and J.S. Shissias

A Bill to amend Section 4-8-30, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the creation of a Consolidated Government Charter Commission, so as to provide that a member is deemed to have vacated his seat on the Commission when he does not attend three consecutive meetings and provide for the appointment of a successor; to amend Section 4-8-40, relating to powers of the Commission, so as to delete references to county governments and subdivisions, delete provisions regarding exclusion of special purpose districts, and delete provisions regarding consolidation of municipalities whose boundaries encompass more than one county; to amend Section 4-8-70, relating to the requirement that the Charter Commission hold meetings to determine the sentiment of the citizens of the county, so as to delete a reference to requiring the proposed charter be sent to municipalities within the county; to amend Section 4-8-80, relating to submission of the question of consolidation to the qualified electors of the county, so as to require the qualified electors of the county be asked to approve all or part of the general obligation debt to be assumed by the consolidated political subdivision at the same time as the election required by this Section; to amend Section 4-8-90, relating to the presentation and adoption of the charter, so as to delete a provision which provides that the charter is void in a municipality or special purpose district if it is not adopted by a majority of the qualified electors of that municipality or special purpose district; to amend Section 4-8-110, relating to when the government for the consolidated political subdivision becomes effective, so as to delete references to being effective within the county; to amend Section 4-8-120 relating to the inclusion of a municipality or special purpose district not initially included in the consolidated political subdivision, so as to clarify that a municipality or special purpose district may not become part of the consolidated political subdivision until a majority of the qualified electors in that political subdivision approve the consolidation; to amend Section 4-8-140, relating to the rights, obligations, and duties of the consolidated political subdivision acquires and succeeds to after it is established, so as to delete a provision which provides that the municipality or special purpose district is not affected if a majority of the qualified electors of that municipality or special purpose district do not approve the question of consolidation; to repeal Section 4-8-95, relating to the exclusion of a municipality or special purpose district from consolidation.

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