**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 40‑11‑435 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IF A GENERAL CONTRACTOR OR SPECIALTY CONTRACTOR LICENSED BY THIS STATE PROVIDES CONSTRUCTION OR OTHER BUILDING SERVICES TO A CLIENT WHICH IS A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY, DEPARTMENT, OR ENTITY, THE CONTRACTOR MUST SEND COPIES OF ALL BILLS OR DRAW REQUESTS TO EACH AGENCY OR DEPARTMENT OCCUPYING OR TO OCCUPY THE BUILDING OR STRUCTURE AS WELL AS TO THE AGENCY OR DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE BILL OR DRAW REQUEST IF DIFFERENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF VERIFYING THE WORK PERFORMED.

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

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 11, Title 40 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 40‑11‑435. If a general contractor or specialty contractor licensed by this State provides construction or other building services to a client which is a state or local government agency, department, or entity, the contractor must send copies of all bills or draw requests to each agency or department occupying or to occupy the building or structure as well as to the agency or department responsible for paying the bill or draw request if different for the purpose of verifying the work performed.”

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

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