**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 43‑26‑10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF TERMS USED IN RELATION TO THE OPERATION OF VENDING FACILITIES BY BLIND PERSONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF “PUBLIC PROPERTY” AND “PROPERTY CUSTODIAN” BY REMOVING PROPERTY OWNED, LEASED, OR OCCUPIED BY A COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY, OR OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 43‑26‑10 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 43‑26‑10. For the purpose of this chapter:

~~(a)~~(1) ‘Blind persons’ means persons who are visually handicapped as defined in Section 43‑25‑20 ~~of the 1976 Cod~~e.

~~(b)~~(2) ‘License’ means a written instrument issued by the commission pursuant to this chapter authorizing a blind person to operate a vending facility on state, federal, or other property.

~~(c)~~(3) ‘Public property’ means ~~any~~ buildings or land owned, leased, or occupied by ~~any~~a department or agency of the State or ~~any~~an instrumentality wholly owned by the State ~~or by any county or municipality or other local governmental entity~~.

~~(d)~~(4) ‘Vending facility’ means ~~such~~ shelters, counters, shelving display and wall cases, refrigeration apparatus, heating or cooking apparatus, and other appropriate auxiliary equipment ~~as is~~ necessary for the vending of ~~such~~ articles ~~as~~that may be approved by the commission. This definition specifically includes ~~any~~ manual or coin operated vending facilities, snack bars, and cafeterias.

~~(e)~~ (5) ‘Commission’ means the South Carolina Commission for the Blind.

~~(f)~~ (6) ‘Property custodian’ means ~~any~~a person, officer, or employee of a department, agency, board, commission, educational institution, or ~~any~~ other branch of State~~, county, municipal or other local~~ government who is charged with the responsibility of care, custody, and control of public property.”

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

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