**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 40‑60‑35 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSESSORS, TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF HOURS OF INSTRUCTION EACH YEAR FOR ASSESSORS WITH AN ACTIVE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION FROM NINE HOURS TO SEVEN HOURS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 40‑60‑35(A)(2) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(2) For renewal of an active license or certification, assessors and other staff responsible for the assessment of property for ad valorem taxation purposes shall receive ~~nine~~ seven hours of instruction each year in the laws applicable to assessment for ad valorem taxation, methods of valuing property, administration of the assessor’s office and records of the assessor’s office, and other functions related to the assessor’s office. This instruction shall be received from the Department of Revenue or other providers or courses approved by the Department of ~~Revenue~~ Labor, Licensing and Regulation. This instruction shall satisfy ~~eighteen~~ fourteen of the twenty‑eight classroom hours required for renewal.”

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

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