**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND ACT 612 OF 1984, RELATING TO THE METHOD OF CONDUCTING ELECTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF TRUSTEES IN SPARTANBURG COUNTY, TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED ELECTORS THAT MUST SIGN A PETITION FOR A PERSON TO PLACE HIS NAME AS A CANDIDATE ON THE BALLOT.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1(C) of Act 612 of 1984 is amended to read:

“(C) To place the name of a candidate on the ballot, qualified electors of the school district must file with the Spartanburg County Election Commission, not less than sixty days before the date of the election, a petition which must contain the names of qualified electors of a number equal to not less than ~~three hundred fifty~~ one hundred qualified electors of the district or five percent of the total number of electors of the district, whichever is the lesser. In the event no petition is filed within the time limits specified, the county board of education must appoint a successor.”

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

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