**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 3, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF OFFICERS BY THE GOVERNOR, BY ADDING SECTION 1‑3‑200 TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNOR MAY NOT MAKE AN APPOINTMENT UNLESS THE APPOINTEE ANNUALLY FILED ALL REQUIRED FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAX RETURNS, REGARDLESS OF THE SOURCE OF INCOME, PAID ALL INCOME TAXES DUE DURING THAT TIME PERIOD, AND SATISFIED ALL JUDGMENTS, LIENS, OR OTHER PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO PAY INCOME TAXES WHEN DUE.

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

SECTION 1. Article 5, Chapter 3, Title 1 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 1‑3‑200. The governor may not make an appointment pursuant to this article unless the appointee, during the previous ten years, annually filed all required federal and state income tax returns, regardless of the source of income, paid all income taxes due during that time period, and satisfied all judgments, liens, or other penalties for failure to pay income taxes when due.”

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

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