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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 7-1-28 SO AS TO PROVIDE MINIMUM RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR A CANDIDATE FOR A STATE OR LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICE THAT IS ELECTED FROM A SPECIFIC DISTRICT.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 1, Title 7 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 7-1-28. Notwithstanding another provision of law, a person may not file as a candidate for a state or local public office that is elected from a specific district unless he is an elector of the district and satisfies the criteria provided in Section 7-1-25(D) at least thirty days before the first day that candidates may file for that office.”

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

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