**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 24‑21‑920, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE GRANTING OF CLEMENCY BY THE PROBATION, PAROLE AND PARDON SERVICES BOARD, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A DENIAL OF CLEMENCY BY THE BOARD MAY BE APPEALED TO THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND THE GOVERNOR.

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

SECTION 1. Section 24‑21‑920 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 24‑21‑920. (A) In all other cases than those referred to in Section 24‑21‑910 the right of granting clemency ~~shall be~~ is vested in the ~~Board~~ board.

(B) An inmate may appeal the board’s denial of a petition for clemency to the Lieutenant Governor. If the Lieutenant Governor denies the inmate’s petition for clemency, he may appeal the denial of his petition to the Governor.”

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

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