**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND ACT 687 OF 1969, RELATING TO THE METROPOLITAN SEWER SUBDISTRICT OF GREENVILLE COUNTY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE SUBDISTRICT IS GOVERNED BY AN ELECTED RATHER THAN AN APPOINTED COMMISSION AND THAT THE ELECTED COMMISSION MAY LEVY AD VALOREM TAXES WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL.

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

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Act 687 of 1969 is amended to read:

“Section 5. ~~The~~Beginning with the general election of November 2012, the Metropolitan Sewer Subdistrict shall be governed by a commission consisting of three members who shall be ~~appointed by the Governor~~ elected in nonpartisan elections at the time of the November general election for terms of four years, ~~upon the recommendation of the Greenville County Council,~~ with the three candidates who receive the largest number of votes being elected commissioners, and such commissioners shall have the power to levy ad valorem taxes upon all taxable property within the area of such subdistrict for the purposes of carrying out the authority conferred upon such subdistrict by the terms of this act~~; provided, however, that any such levy shall be approved by the Greenville County Council before it shall become effective~~. The commissioners shall also have authority to borrow money on tax anticipation notes necessary and proper for the caring out of its functions and purposes. Appointed commissioners serving on the effective date of this section shall continue to serve until commissioners are elected in November 2012.”

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

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