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(A86, R104, S211)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 56‑2‑105, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF GOLF CART PERMITS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY CREATE SEPARATE GOLF CART PATHS ON STREETS AND ROADS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.**

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

**Golf carts**

SECTION 1. Section 56‑2‑105(E) of the 1976 Code, as added by Act 177 of 2012, is further amended to read:

 “(E)(1) A political subdivision may, on designated streets or roads within the political subdivision’s jurisdiction, reduce the area in which a permitted golf cart may operate from four miles to no less than two miles.

 (2) A political subdivision may, on primary highways, secondary highways, streets, or roads within the political subdivision’s jurisdiction, create separate golf cart paths on the shoulder of its primary highways, secondary highways, streets and roads for the purpose of golf cart transportation, if:

 (a) the political subdivision obtains the necessary approvals, if any, to create the golf cart paths; and

 (b) the golf cart path is:

 (i) separated from the traffic lanes by a hard concrete curb;

 (ii) separated from the traffic lanes by parking spaces; or

 (iii) separated from the traffic lanes by a distance of four feet or more.

 (3) A political subdivision may not reduce or otherwise amend the other restrictions placed on the operation of a permitted golf cart contained in this section.”

**Time effective**

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

Ratified the 4th day of June, 2015.

Approved the 8th day of June, 2015.

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