**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SUBSECTION (B) OF SECTION 42‑3‑20 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS, 1976, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNOR MAY REAPPOINT A PERSON AS CHAIRMAN OF THE WORKERS’ COMPENSATION COMMISSION, AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE THAT THE COMMISSION IS NOT REQUIRED TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS IN THE EVENT THE GOVERNOR DOES NOT APPOINT OR REAPPOINT A CHAIRMAN.

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

Section 42‑3‑20(B) is amended to read:

SECTION 1. Section 42‑3‑20(B) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“The Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall designate one of the seven ~~commissioner~~ commissioners as chairman for a term of two years~~, and the chairman may serve two terms during his six year term but not consecutively~~. At the conclusion of a commissioner’s two year term as chairman, the Governor shall appoint or reappoint ~~another~~ a commissioner to serve as chairman. If the Governor does not appoint or reappoint ~~another~~ a chairman at the expiration of the two year term, a majority of the commission ~~shall~~ may elect from among their members an interim chairman who shall serve until the Governor appoints another chairman ~~other than the one last appointed~~. A deputy commissioner is not eligible to serve as chairman. Any person appointed to the commission is subject to removal as provided in Section 1‑3‑240(C).”

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

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