**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 57‑7‑100 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IF A DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, OR REPAIR PROJECT ADVERSELY IMPACTS A LANDOWNER’S PROPERTY, THEN THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MITIGATE OR RECTIFY THE ADVERSE IMPACT OF THE PROJECT, AND TO PROVIDE THAT IF A DEPARTMENT CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, OR REPAIR PROJECT INTERFERES WITH ACCESS TO A LANDOWNER’S PROPERTY, THEN THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONSTRUCT A DRIVEWAY THAT ALLOWS THE LANDOWNER TO GAIN ACCESS TO HIS PROPERTY.

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

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 7, Title 57 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 57‑7‑100. (A) The Department of Transportation shall mitigate or rectify the impact of a construction, maintenance, or repair project that adversely impacts a landowner’s property.

(B) The department shall construct a driveway that allows a landowner to gain access to his property when a construction, maintenance, or repair project interferes with access to the landowner’s property.”

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

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