COMMITTEE REPORT

May 3, 2017

**S. 486**

Introduced by Education Committee

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**THE COMMITTEE ON REGULATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

To whom was referred a Joint Resolution (S. 486) to approve regulations of the Commission on Higher Education, relating to Free Tuition for residents Sixty Years of Age, designated as Regulation Document Number 4728, pursuant to the provisions of, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

ERIC M. BEDINGFIELD for Committee.

**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, RELATING TO FREE TUITION FOR RESIDENTS SIXTY YEARS OF AGE, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4728, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

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

SECTION 1. The regulations of the Commission on Higher Education, relating to Free Tuition for Residents Sixty Years of Age, designated as Regulation Document Number 4728, and submitted to the General Assembly pursuant to the provisions of Article 1, Chapter 23, Title 1 of the 1976 Code, are approved.

SECTION 2. This joint resolution takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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SUMMARY AS SUBMITTED

BY PROMULGATING AGENCY.

R.62‑1100 through 62‑1170 of Chapter 62 is being amended. Revisions to the existing regulation for the Regulation governing the Free Tuition for Residents Sixty Years of Age Program are being considered to clarify the policies and procedures for administering the program. In the proposed amendment, the requirement that a recipient of the tuition waiver cannot be full‑time employed, is being removed. The revisions seek to comply with recent changes to statute during the 2015‑2016 Legislative Session (Act 50 of 2015).

A Notice of Drafting for the proposed regulation was published in the *South Carolina State Register* on July 22, 2016.

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