**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 57‑23‑810 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL REQUIRE A COMPANY THAT ENTERS INTO A CONTRACT TO MOW VEGETATION ALONG A DEPARTMENT‑ MAINTAINED HIGHWAY TO DISPOSE ALL TRASH AND OTHER DEBRIS FOUND ALONG THE HIGHWAY BEFORE THE VEGETATION IS MOWED.

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

SECTION 1. Article 17, Chapter 23, Title 56 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 57‑23‑810. The Department of Transportation shall require a company that enters into a contract to mow vegetation along a department‑maintained highway to dispose all trash and other debris found along the highway before the vegetation is mowed.”

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

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