**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

TO PROVIDE THAT THE OPENING DATE FOR STUDENTS TO ATTEND PUBLIC SCHOOLS DURING THE 2018‑2019 SCHOOL YEAR MAY BE AS EARLY AS THE SECOND MONDAY IN AUGUST, AT THE DETERMINATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 59‑1‑425(A) regarding the opening date for students to attend public schools, a local school board may choose an opening date for students attending schools in the district to be as early as the second Monday in August. These provisions only apply to the 2018‑2019 School Year.

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

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