**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND ACT 755 OF 1988, RELATING TO ABBEVILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHALL HAVE TOTAL FISCAL AUTONOMY.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Act 755 of 1988 is amended to read:

“Section 2. ~~The board shall formulate an operating budget for each fiscal year for the district. The budget must be submitted to the county council for Abbeville County at the same time the county approves its respective operating budget.~~ Notwithstanding another provision of law, commencing with the Abbeville County School District fiscal year next following the effective date of this act, the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees is vested with total fiscal autonomy. In order to obtain funds for school purposes the board is authorized to impose an annual tax levy, exclusive of any millage imposed for bond debt service. Upon certification by the board to the county auditor of the tax levy to be imposed, the auditor shall levy and the county treasurer shall collect the millage so certified upon all taxable property in the district.”

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

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