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COMMITTEE REPORT

March 24, 2021

**S. 235**

Introduced by Senator Turner

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Read the first time January 12, 2021.

**THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 235) to amend Act 745 of 1967, relating to Renewable Water Resources (ReWa) formerly known as the Western Carolina Regional Sewer Authority, to revise the membership of its governing commission, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

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

LUKE A. RANKIN for Committee.

**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**Local Expenditure**

This bill amends the composition of the commission governing ReWa, which a special purpose district providing sewer service in Greenville, Anderson, Laurens, and Spartanburg Counties. Currently, the commission is comprised of eleven members in total, with one member each from Anderson and Laurens Counties, two members from Spartanburg County, and seven members from Greenville County. This bill reduces the number of members from Spartanburg County from two to one and increases the number of members from Greenville County from seven to eight.

The revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office contacted the counties affected by this bill and, based on the response received, does not anticipate this bill will have an impact on the local expenditures of Greenville or Spartanburg Counties. Therefore, this bill will not have a fiscal impact on the local governments of Greenville or Spartanburg to increase the number of commission members from Greenville from seven to eight and decrease the number of members from Spartanburg from two to one.

Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director

Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND ACT 745 OF 1967, RELATING TO RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES (REWA) FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE WESTERN CAROLINA REGIONAL SEWER AUTHORITY, TO REVISE THE MEMBERSHIP OF ITS GOVERNING COMMISSION BY REMOVING ONE MEMBER FROM SPARTANBURG COUNTY AND ADDING ONE MEMBER FROM GREENVILLE COUNTY, AND TO AMEND REWA’S SERVICE AREA.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2.8 of Act 745 of 1967, as last amended by Act 284 of 2018, is amended to read:

“Section 2.8. Notwithstanding another provision of law, the boundary lines that define the service territory of the Renewable Water Resources (ReWa), formerly the Western Carolina Regional Sewer Authority, are hereby expanded to include an area labeled the ‘Enoree Basin’ area of Spartanburg County, which is shown on a map filed with the Renewable Water Resources Commission as provided and maintained by the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office and designated as document ‘ReWa Service Area ‑ ~~2018~~ 2020 Attachment A’. The General Assembly provides that this document is the document of record delineating the service territory of the Renewable Water Resources.”

SECTION 2. Section 3(C) of Act 745 of 1967, as last amended by Act 284 of 2018, is amended to read:

“(C) One member must be from Anderson County, one member from Laurens County, and ~~two members~~ one member from Spartanburg County. ~~Seven~~ Eight members must be from Greenville County.

(1) The Anderson and Laurens County Delegations shall each recommend one member for appointment to the Governor. The initial terms of the members from Anderson County and Laurens County must be designated in the original appointments.

(2) The Spartanburg County Delegation shall recommend for appointment to the Governor ~~two members~~ one member of the Commission from Spartanburg County. The initial term of the member from Spartanburg County must be designated in the original appointment. ~~The initial term of the second member from Spartanburg County shall expire on December 1, 2022, and thereafter his successors shall be appointed in the same manner of original appointment for terms of four years each and until their successors are appointed and qualify.~~”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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