**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59‑17‑165 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE GOVERNING BODY OF EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THIS STATE SHALL CREATE A STUDENT BULLYING ADVISORY COUNCIL TO BE COMPRISED OF STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND TEACHERS SELECTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY TO ADVISE THE GOVERNING BODY ON MATTERS RELATING TO STUDENT‑ON‑STUDENT BULLYING PROBLEMS, AND ON OTHER MATTERS THAT THE GOVERNING BODY CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 17, Title 59 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 59‑17‑165. The governing body of each school district of this State shall create a Student Bullying Advisory Council to be comprised of students, parents, and teachers selected by the governing body to advise the governing body on matters relating to student‑on‑student bullying problems, and on other matters that the governing body considers appropriate.”

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

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