**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 15‑39‑30 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF EXECUTIONS AND THE EFFECTIVE PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE, TO PROVIDE THAT EXECUTIONS MAY ISSUE UPON FINAL JUDGMENTS WITHIN TEN YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE ORIGINAL ENTRY THEREOF OR, IF A PARTY HAS TAKEN STEPS WITHIN THIS TEN-YEAR PERIOD TO ENFORCE A JUDGMENT, UNTIL FINAL ADJUDICATION IS REACHED.

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

SECTION 1. Section 15‑39‑30 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

**“**Section 15‑39‑30. Executions may issue upon final judgments or decrees at any time within ten years from the date of the original entry thereof or, if a party has taken steps within this ten-year period to enforce the judgment, until final adjudication is reached, and shall have active energy during such period, without any renewal or renewals thereof, and this whether any return may or may not have been made during such period on such executions.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor and applies to executions beginning April 1, 2020.

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