**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

TO CREATE A STUDY COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE IMPACT OF THE JIM CROW LAWS AND SLAVERY ON PUBLIC EDUCATION IN THIS STATE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE STUDY COMMITTEE, TO REQUIRE THE STUDY COMMITTEE TO PREPARE A REPORT WITH FINDINGS FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF THE STUDY COMMITTEE.

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

SECTION 1. (A) There is created a study committee to examine the impact of Jim Crow laws and slavery on public education in this State.

(B) The study committee is composed of:

(1) four members appointed by the Legislative Black Caucus;

(2) one member appointed by the President of the Senate;

(3) one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

(4) one member appointed by the Governor.

(C) Members of the committee must have academic experience in public education and American History, preferably involving the institution of slavery and Jim Crow laws.

(D) Members of the study committee shall serve without compensation, but are allowed the mileage, subsistence, and per diem allowed by law for members of state boards, committees, and commissions, to be paid equally from approved accounts of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

(E) The study committee shall choose its officers and must be provided with clerical, administrative, and research services by the House of Representatives and the Senate.

(F) The study committee shall make a report of its findings to the General Assembly before January 1, 2024, at which time the study committee terminates.

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

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