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AMENDED

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Introduced by Senators Grooms, Climer and Garrett

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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 56‑23‑20 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO DRIVER TRAINING SCHOOLS, TO PROVIDE THAT ASSOCIATIONS FORMED BY GROUPS OF ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES PURSUANT TO SECTION 33-49-160 ARE PERMITTED TO PROVIDE DRIVER EDUCATION TRAINING.

Amend Title To Conform

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

SECTION 1. Section 56‑23‑20 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 56-23-20. Classroom courses offered by state institutions and duly accredited and approved colleges, public, parochial, and private high schools in which classroom driver education is part of the curriculum, instruction offered by an entity described in Section 33‑49‑160(A) that is providing instruction to employees of its member organizations, or to employers giving instruction to their licensed employees shall be exempt from registration and license under this chapter. Courses offered to adults under adult education programs shall not qualify for the exemption.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 23, Title 56 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 56‑23‑95. All driver training schools licensed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter may offer financial assistance to students who attend public South Carolina high schools to cover the fees associated with the business of training or educating persons to drive or operate motor vehicles.”

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

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