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 3/19/2024 Senate Read second time (Senate Journal‑page 18)

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 3/20/2024 Senate Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal‑page 12)

 3/21/2024 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal‑page 19)

 3/21/2024 House Referred to Committee on **Education and Public Works** (House Journal‑page 19)

 4/9/2024 House Recalled from Committee on **Education and Public Works** (House Journal‑page 63)

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(A124, R135, S1047)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 59‑53‑610, RELATING TO DENMARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE AREA COMMISSION MEMBERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE MANNER BY WHICH COMMISSIONERS ARE APPOINTED SHALL BE BY APPOINTMENT OF THE GOVERNOR UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REPRESENTING ALLENDALE, BAMBERG, AND BARNWELL COUNTIES.

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

Composition and manner of appointment changed

SECTION 1. Section 59‑53‑610 of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

 Section 59‑53‑610. There is created the Denmark Technical College Area Commission which shall serve as the governing body of Denmark Technical College. The commission is a body politic and corporate and consists of eight members who must be appointed in the manner pursuant to this section. The eight commissioners must be appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of a majority of the members of the General Assembly representing Allendale, Bamberg, and Barnwell Counties after a weighted vote by those delegation members. In addition, the member of the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education from the Sixth Congressional District is a member of the commission ex officio. The members of the commission must be appointed for terms of four years each and until their successors are appointed and qualify.

 A vacancy must be filled in the manner of the original appointment for the unexpired portion of the term only. As soon as possible after the initial appointments have been made, the commission shall organize by electing one of its members as chairman, one as vice chairman, and one as secretary. The terms of the appointees expire on the first of July of the appropriate year. The area commission shall meet upon the call of the chairman or a majority of its members. It shall make periodic reports of its activities and progress to the legislative delegation from the counties of Allendale, Bamberg, and Barnwell.

Time effective

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

Ratified the 8th day of May, 2024.

Approved the 13th day of May, 2024.

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