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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 4-9-35, RELATING TO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARDS OF TRUSTEES, SO AS TO PROVIDE TRUSTEES MAY BE REMOVED BY a TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS PreSENT AND VOTING, AND TO REMOVE OBSOLETE LANGUAGE.

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

SECTION 1. Section 4-9-35(B) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

 (B) Each county public library system shall be controlled and managed by a board of trustees consisting of not fewer than seven nor more than eleven members appointed by the county council (council) for terms of four years and until successors are appointed and qualify except that of those members initially appointed one-half of such appointees less one shall be appointed for terms of two years only. Previous service on a county library board prior to the enactment of the county ordinance establishing the board shall not limit service on the board; provided, however, that a trustee may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the council members present and voting. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner of the original appointment for the unexpired term. To the extent feasible, members shall be appointed from all geographical areas of the county.

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

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