

## Session 123 - (2019-2020)

### H 4657 General Bill, By Pendarvis, Robinson, Clyburn and Wheeler

**Summary:** SC Opportunity Zone Enhancement Act of 2020

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA OPPORTUNITY ZONE ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2020" BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3805 SO AS TO PROVIDE AN INCOME TAX CREDIT TO TAXPAYERS INVESTING IN NEW PROJECTS LOCATED IN AN OPPORTUNITY ZONE IN THIS STATE; BY ADDING SECTION 12-6-3810 SO AS TO ALLOW A TAXPAYER ELIGIBLE FOR A FEDERAL LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT TO CLAIM A LOW-INCOME STATE TAX CREDIT, IF THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN DESIGNATED OPPORTUNITY ZONES IN THIS STATE; TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-3360, RELATING TO THE JOBS TAX CREDIT, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR AN ADDITIONAL CREDIT FOR FULL-TIME JOBS CREATED IN TIER III AND TIER IV COUNTIES WITHIN DESIGNATED OPPORTUNITY ZONES; BY ADDING ARTICLE 27 TO CHAPTER 36, TITLE 12 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A SALES TAX REBATE AND CREDIT TO A GROCERY STORE VENDOR WHICH LOCATES A STORE IN AN OPPORTUNITY ZONE IN AN AREA WHICH IS DEFINED AS A "FOOD DESERT"; BY ADDING SECTION 13-1-35 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE SHALL ESTABLISH A GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE NONRECURRING AID TO TAXPAYERS INVESTING IN NEW PROJECTS IN A DESIGNATED OPPORTUNITY ZONE IN TIER III OR TIER IV COUNTIES ON A PRIORITY BASIS; AND BY ADDING SECTION 13-1-45 SO AS TO ESTABLISH WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE A SOUTH CAROLINA OPPORTUNITY ZONE LEADERSHIP TASK FORCE AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS.

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