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**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSION TO RECEIVE FUNDS FROM A POLITICAL PARTY FOR WHICH THE COMMISSION CONDUCTED A PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY IN 2012 AND TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION TO USE THE FUNDS TO REIMBURSE COUNTIES OR COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION FOR REASONABLE EXPENSES DIRECTLY RESULTING FROM THE PRIMARY.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Election Commission may receive funds from a political party for which the commission conducted a Presidential Preference Primary in 2012 to defray expenses associated with the conduct of the primary. Any funds received from a political party must be used to reimburse counties or county election commissions for expenses incurred by the counties or county election commissions that were not defrayed by appropriations to the commission. The commission must only provide reimbursement for reasonable expenses directly resulting from the primary and must apportion any funds received fairly and proportionally amongst the counties or county election commission seeking reimbursement. For purposes of Chapter 13, Title 7 of the South Carolina Code, providing funds to the State Election Commission pursuant to this section is a lawful expenditure for a political party and must be reported in the same manner as other lawful expenditures.

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

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