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 2/22/2012 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 6](file:///h%3A%5Csj%20archive%5C2012%5C02-22-12.docx))

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 2/28/2012 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Rankin (ch), Hutto, Campbell

 4/18/2012 Senate Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 12](file:///h%3A%5Csj%20archive%5C2012%5C04-18-12.docx))

 4/19/2012 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 33](file:///h%3A%5Csj%20archive%5C2012%5C04-19-12.docx))

 4/19/2012 Senate Roll call Ayes‑34 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 33](file:///h%3A%5Csj%20archive%5C2012%5C04-19-12.docx))

 4/24/2012 Senate Read third time and sent to House ([Senate Journal‑page 19](file:///h%3A%5Csj%20archive%5C2012%5C04-24-12.docx))

 4/25/2012 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 4](file:///h%3A%5Chj%20archive%5C2012%5C04-25-12.docx))

 4/25/2012 House Referred to Committee on **Labor, Commerce and Industry** ([House Journal‑page 4](file:///h%3A%5Chj%20archive%5C2012%5C04-25-12.docx))

 5/24/2012 House Committee report: Favorable **Labor, Commerce and Industry** ([House Journal‑page 2](file:///h%3A%5Chj%20archive%5C2012%5C05-24-12.docx))

 5/30/2012 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 43](file:///h%3A%5Chj%20archive%5C2012%5C05-30-12.docx))

 5/30/2012 House Roll call Yeas‑98 Nays‑0 ([House Journal‑page 43](file:///h%3A%5Chj%20archive%5C2012%5C05-30-12.docx))

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(A208, R221, S1247)

**AN ACT** **TO AMEND SECTION 58‑3‑250, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SERVICE OF FINAL ORDERS AND DECISIONS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, SO AS TO ALLOW THE COMMISSION TO SERVE A FINAL ORDER OR DECISION BY ELECTRONIC SERVICE, REGISTERED MAIL, OR CERTIFIED MAIL.**

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

**Final orders and decisions of the Public Service Commission, methods of service**

SECTION 1. Section 58‑3‑250(B) of the 1976 Code, as added by Act 175 of 2004, is amended to read:

 “(B) A copy of every final order or decision under the seal of the commission must be served by electronic service, registered or certified mail, upon all parties to the proceeding or their attorneys. Service of every final order or decision upon a party or upon the attorney must be made by emailing a copy of the order to the party’s email address provided to the commission or by mailing a copy to the party’s last known address. If no email or other address is known, however, service shall be made by leaving a copy with the chief clerk of the commission. The order takes effect and becomes operative when served unless otherwise designated and continues in force either for a period designated by the commission or until changed or revoked by the commission. If, in the judgment of the commission, an order cannot be complied with within the time designated, the commission may grant and prescribe additional time as is reasonably necessary to comply with the order and, on application and for good cause shown, may extend the time for compliance fixed in its order.”

**Time effective**

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

Ratified the 5th day of June, 2012.

Approved the 7th day of June, 2012.

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