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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 48‑45‑10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE CREATION OF THE SEA GRANT CONSORTIUM, SO AS TO MAKE IT A DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 48‑45‑70, RELATING TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF A DIRECTOR OF THE SEA GRANT CONSORTIUM BY ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND HIS POWERS AND DUTIES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT FUTURE DIRECTORS MUST BE APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 48‑45‑10 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 48‑45‑10. There is hereby created the South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium (consortium) as a Division of the Department of Natural Resources.”

SECTION 2. Section 48‑45‑70 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 48‑45‑70. ~~A.~~ (A) The ~~board~~ Director of the Department of Natural Resources has the power to employ ~~an executive~~ a director to be known as the ~~Consortium Director~~ consortium director. The salary and fringe benefits appropriated to the position must be derived from funds directly assigned to the consortium for this purpose by the General Assembly.

~~B.~~ (B) The director has the following powers and duties to:

~~1.~~ (1) direct supervision over all consortium proposals;

~~2.~~ (2) prepare consortium proposals to be submitted to interested agencies;

~~3.~~ (3) prepare an annual summary of all submitted proposals;

~~4.~~ (4) negotiate funding levels for proposals submitted by member institutions;

~~5.~~ (5) provide an accounting to the board of the director’s development funds;

~~6.~~ (6) request and receive funds from local, state, federal, and private sources for use by the director, consortium, individual member institutions, or other persons;

~~7.~~ (7) gather, maintain, and make available to interested persons natural resource information from state and federal agencies, higher education institutions, and any other appropriate entity;

~~8.~~ (8) designate the location of the consortium office, subject to the approval of the board; and

~~9.~~ (9) exercise all incidental powers necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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