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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 7‑25‑180, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE UNLAWFUL DISTRIBUTION OF CAMPAIGN LITERATURE AT A POLLING PLACE, SO AS TO CLARIFY THE RESTRICTION APPLIES TO THE EXTERIOR ENTRANCE AND TO INCLUDE BUTTONS, STICKERS, OR OTHER ITEMS THAT DISPLAY THE NAME OF A CANDIDATE IN THOSE TYPES OF CAMPAIGN LITERATURE THAT MAY NOT BE DISTRIBUTED OR DISPLAYED.

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

SECTION 1. Section 7‑25‑180(A) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 393 of 1990, is further amended to read:

“(A) It is unlawful on an election day, within two hundred feet of any exterior entrance used by the voters to enter the building where the polling place is, for ~~a~~ any person to distribute any type of campaign literature or place any political posters, buttons, stickers, or other items that display the name of a candidate. The poll manager shall use every reasonable means to keep the area within two hundred feet of any such entrance clear of political literature and displays, and the county and municipal law enforcement officers, upon request of a poll manager, shall remove or cause to be removed any material within two hundred feet of any such entrance distributed or displayed in violation of this section.”

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

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