**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 56‑5‑2600, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PARKING VIOLATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE A LOCAL GOVERNING BODY MAY NOT INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF A PARKING VIOLATION FINE WITHOUT MAILING WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE INCREASE TO THE ADDRESS OF RECORD OF THE PERSON CITED WITHIN FORTY‑EIGHT HOURS OF THE INCREASE OR THE INCREASE IS VOID.

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

SECTION 1. Section 56‑5‑2600 of the 1976 Code, as added by Act 283 of 2008, is amended to read:

“Section 56‑5‑2600. A local governing authority that has issued a citation to a person who violates a provision that regulates the parking of vehicles shall allow the person thirty days to pay the original fine assessed before the local governing authority may increase the fine by any amount. A local governing body may not increase the fine amount without mailing written notice of the increase to the address of record of the person cited within forty‑eight hours of the increase or the increase is void.”

SECTION 2. The repeal or amendment by this act of any law, whether temporary or permanent or civil or criminal, does not affect pending actions, rights, duties, or liabilities founded thereon, or alter, discharge, release or extinguish any penalty, forfeiture, or liability incurred under the repealed or amended law, unless the repealed or amended provision shall so expressly provide. After the effective date of this act, all laws repealed or amended by this act must be taken and treated as remaining in full force and effect for the purpose of sustaining any pending or vested right, civil action, special proceeding, criminal prosecution, or appeal existing as of the effective date of this act, and for the enforcement of rights, duties, penalties, forfeitures, and liabilities as they stood under the repealed or amended laws.

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

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