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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 11‑11‑85 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR A ZERO BASE BUDGET PROCESS BEGINNING WITH FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016.

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

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 11, Title 11 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 11‑11‑85. (A) The House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee shall implement a zero base budget process, beginning with the annual general appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2015‑2016. The schedule for a zero base budget process must be organized by the following agency functional areas for all of state government:

(1) Fiscal Year 2015‑2016, Group I: human service, health care, and social service agencies;

(2) Fiscal Year 2016‑2017, Group II: correctional, criminal justice, public safety, and natural resource agencies;

(3) Fiscal Year 2017‑2018, Group III: executive, regulatory, judicial, quasijudicial agencies and boards, and other agencies determined by the committees not to fall in the first two categories;

(4) Fiscal Year 2018‑2019, Group IV: education functions of government including, but not limited to, public education and higher education.

(B) The process for each group must be maintained on a four‑year rotating basis.”

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

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