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**STATUS INFORMATION**

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Governor's Action: April 12, 2021, Signed

Summary: County conventions, required notices

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

 Date Body Action Description with journal page number

 12/9/2020 House Prefiled

 12/9/2020 House Referred to Committee on **Judiciary**

 1/12/2021 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 138](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210112.docx))

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 2/16/2021 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hewitt, Bailey

 2/18/2021 House Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary** ([House Journal‑page 55](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210218.docx))

 2/23/2021 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: M.M.Smith, J.E.Johnson, Bradley

 2/24/2021 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Crawford, King

 2/24/2021 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 34](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210224.docx))

 2/24/2021 House Roll call Yeas‑106 Nays‑7 ([House Journal‑page 34](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210224.docx))

 2/25/2021 House Read third time and sent to Senate ([House Journal‑page 14](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210225.docx))

 2/25/2021 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 8](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210225.docx))

 2/25/2021 Senate Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 8](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210225.docx))

 3/11/2021 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Campsen (ch), Hutto, Young, McLeod, Garrett

 3/24/2021 Senate Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 12](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210324.docx))

 3/30/2021 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 20](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210330.docx))

 3/31/2021 Senate Read third time and enrolled ([Senate Journal‑page 37](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210331.docx))

 4/8/2021 Ratified R 16

 4/12/2021 Signed By Governor

 4/15/2021 Effective date 04/12/21

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(A10, R16, H3264)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7‑9‑70, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE REQUIRED NOTICES OF COUNTY CONVENTIONS, SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT A COUNTY COMMITTEE PUBLISH CERTAIN NOTICES REGARDING COUNTY CONVENTIONS IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE COUNTY.**

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

**County conventions, time**

SECTION 1. Section 7‑9‑70 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

 “Section 7‑9‑70. A county convention must be held during a twelve‑month period ending March thirty‑first of each general election year during a month determined by the state committee as provided in Section 7‑9‑100. The county committee shall set the date, time, and location during the month designated by the state committee for the county convention to be held. The date set by the county committee for the county convention must be at least two weeks before the state convention. When a month in a nongeneral election year is chosen for the county convention, it must be held for the purpose of reorganization only. The date, time, and location that the county convention must be reconvened during the general election year to nominate candidates for public office to be filled in the general election must be set by county committee.”

**Time effective**

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

Ratified the 8th day of April, 2021.

Approved the 12th day of April, 2021.

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