**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 59‑63‑100, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS BY HOMESCHOOL STUDENTS AND OTHERS, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT HOMESCHOOL STUDENTS MUST BE HOMESCHOOLED FOR A FULL ACADEMIC YEAR BEFORE THEY MAY PARTICIPATE IN SUCH INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES; AND TO MAKE THESE PROVISIONS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

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

SECTION 1. Section 59‑63‑100(A)(3) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(3) ‘~~Home school~~ Homeschool student’ is a child taught in accordance with Section 59‑65‑40, 59‑65‑45, or 59‑65‑47 ~~and has been taught in accordance with one of these sections for a full academic year prior to participating in an interscholastic activity pursuant to this section~~.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2021.

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