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H 4384 General Bill, By H.H. Clyborne, D.E. Martin, A.C. McGinnis and J.M. White

A Bill to amend Section 7-13-35, as amended, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the requirement that the authority charged by law with conducting an election in each county publish notices of elections held in the county, so as to include in this requirement notification of when the process of examining the envelopes containing absentee ballots begins; to amend Section 7-13-70, as amended, relating to the appointment of commissioners of election in each county, so as to require the commissioners to appoint a clerk from among managers for each polling place in the county and one for each polling place in a primary, special, or municipal election; to amend Section 7-13-80, relating to the appointment of a clerk by the managers of election, so as to delete the authority to appoint a clerk and add references to clerks; to amend Section 7-13-810, relating to the powers of managers of elections, so as to provide that challenges may be made at any time before the opening of the envelopes containing the absentee ballots instead of when the ballots are counted; to amend Section 7-15-370, relating to the items required to be furnished each person qualified to receive an absentee ballot, so as to require an envelope marked "ballot herein" instead of an unmarked envelope be furnished each qualified person; and to amend Section 7-15-420, relating to the tabulation and reporting of absentee ballots, so as to change the time for tabulating the ballots from the closing of the polls to 2:00 p.m. on election day, authorize watchers to be present when absentee ballot envelopes are examined, require all return-addressed envelopes received before the closing of the polls be examined, and make other technical corrections.

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