**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 16‑17‑680, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF THE PURCHASE OF NONFERROUS METALS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A SECONDARY METALS RECYCLER MAY NOT PURCHASE COPPER FOR CASH CONSIDERATION AND ONLY MAY PURCHASE IT BY CHECK OR OTHER SIMILAR WRITTEN INSTRUMENT, A RECORD OF WHICH MUST BE MAINTAINED FOR AS LONG AS OTHER INDENTIFYING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED.

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

SECTION 1. Section 16‑17‑680(B) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 260 of 2008, is further amended to read:

“(B) A secondary metals recycler may ~~only~~ not purchase ~~nonferrous metals~~ copper for cash consideration ~~from a fixed location~~ and only may purchase copper by check or other similar written instrument, a record of which must be maintained by the secondary metals recycler for the same period of time as other identifying information is required to be maintained by the provisions of subsection (A).”

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

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