**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 43‑31‑180 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION TO PROVIDE CERTAIN MONTHLY CLIENT CONTACT AND SERVICE INFORMATION TO THE GOVERNOR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND THE HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 31, Title 43 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 43‑31‑180. (A) The director of the department shall provide a monthly report containing, but not limited to:

(1) number of nonclients inquiring about services;

(2) number of new client appointments scheduled;

(3) number of persons evaluated for eligibility for services, the number declared eligible, and the number of clients, if any, with prior enrollments;

(4) number of clients being served at department facilities and the number of service hours provided;

(5) number of clients being served outside of department facilities and the number of service hours provided;

(6) total number of clients being served and the number of clients residing in each county;

(7) types of services provided by the department, the number of clients receiving each service, and the number of hours provided to clients in each service;

(8) other information the department may include to demonstrate how the department carries out the state policy on providing rehabilitation services to eligible individuals with handicaps, as provided pursuant to Section 43‑31‑20.

(B) The information enumerated in subsection (A) must be electronically provided monthly to the:

(1) Governor;

(2) Lieutenant Governor;

(3) President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

(4) Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(5) Senate Finance Committee members; and

(6) House Ways and Means Committee members.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2011.

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