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A joint Resolution

to provide that the surface water study committee may study the current state of groundwater in this state and to postpone the due date of the committee’s report.

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

SECTION 1. Proviso 117.84 in Act 226 of 2024 created a Surface Water Study Committee to study the current state of surface water in this State. The study committee was charged with making a report of its findings to the General Assembly by March 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. The study committee is authorized to expand its scope to include a study of the current state of groundwater in this State as well as other topics related to surface water and groundwater.

SECTION 3. The date that the study committee’s report to the General Assembly is due is changed from March 1, 2025 to March 2, 2026.

SECTION 4. Proviso 117.84 remains in full force and effect except for those provisions contained in this Joint Resolution in conflict with the provisions in the proviso. In that case, the provisions contained in this Joint Resolution shall control.

SECTION 5. This joint resolution takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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