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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 59‑63‑30, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PROVISION ALLOWING CHILDREN TO QUALIFY TO ATTEND SCHOOL IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH THEY OWN PROPERTY WITH AN ASSESSED VALUE OF THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR MORE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT EFFECTIVE BEGINNING WITH THE 2019‑2020 SCHOOL YEAR, A STUDENT MAY NOT SO QUALIFY UNLESS HE ATTENDED SCHOOL IN THAT DISTRICT BY QUALIFYING UNDER THESE PROVISIONS DURING THE 2018‑2019 SCHOOL YEAR.

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

SECTION 1. Section 59‑63‑30 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 59‑63‑30. (A) Children within the ages prescribed by Section 59‑63‑20 ~~shall be entitled to~~ may attend the public schools of any school district, without charge, only if qualified under the following provisions of this section:

(~~a~~1) ~~Such~~ the child resides with its parent or legal guardian;

(~~b~~2) the parent or legal guardian, with whom the child resides, is a resident of ~~such~~ the school district; or

(~~c~~3) the child owns real estate in the district having an assessed value of three hundred dollars or more; and

(~~d~~4) the child has maintained a satisfactory scholastic record in accordance with scholastic standards of achievement prescribed by the trustees pursuant to Section 59‑19‑90; and

(~~e~~5) the child has not been guilty of infraction of the rules of conduct promulgated by the trustees of ~~such~~ the school district pursuant to Section 59‑19‑90.

(B) Effective beginning with the 2019‑2020 School Year, a student may not qualify to attend a public school in a district under the provisions of subsection (A)(3) unless he attended school in that district under those provisions during the 2018‑2019 School Year.”

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

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