**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 17‑5‑115 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE CONDITIONS UPON WHICH A DEPUTY CORONER MAY ENFORCE THE LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF THIS STATE AND ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.

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

SECTION 1. Article 3, Chapter 5, Title 17 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 17‑5‑115. (A) A law enforcement officer certified as qualified by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Training Council who is appointed to serve as a deputy coroner is authorized to enforce the laws and ordinances of this State and its political subdivisions.

(B) A person appointed to serve as a deputy coroner who is not a certified law enforcement officer may not enforce the laws or ordinances of this State or its political subdivisions unless he has been certified as qualified by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Training Council.”

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

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