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**A JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUING AUTHORITY TO PAY THE EXPENSES OF STATE GOVERNMENT IF THE 2015‑2016 FISCAL YEAR BEGINS WITHOUT A GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR THAT YEAR IN EFFECT, TO SUSPEND A PROVISION, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONTINUING AUTHORITY.**

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

**Continuing authority to pay government expenses, provision suspended**

SECTION 1. (A) If the 2015‑2016 state fiscal year begins with no annual general appropriations act in effect for that year, the authority to pay the recurring expenses of state government continues at the level of amounts appropriated in Act 286 of 2014 for the recurring expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2015‑2016, except as provided in subsection (B).

The effective dates of Parts IA and IB of Act 286 of 2014 are extended until the effective date for appropriations made in a general appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2015‑2016, after which appropriations made pursuant to this joint resolution are deemed to have been made pursuant to the general appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2015‑2016.

(B) Notwithstanding debt service appropriations in Act 286 of 2014 and until the effective date of the appropriations made in a general appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2015‑2016, there is appropriated from the general fund of the State whatever amount is necessary for timely debt service on state obligations and other amounts constitutionally required to be appropriated, including the Capital Reserve Fund. The General Reserve Fund is established in the amount required by law.

(C) In addition to the provisions of Part IB of Act 286 of 2014 which are continued by this section, there is added an appropriately numbered proviso to read:

84.\_\_\_. (DOT: Sunset Suspended) The provisions of Section 6 of Act 114 of 2007 are suspended for Fiscal Year 2015‑2016. This proviso shall remain effective for the entirety of Fiscal Year 2015‑2016 regardless of the effective date of the general appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2015‑2016.

**Duration of continuing authority**

SECTION 2. This joint resolution shall remain in effect until July 24, 2015.

**Time effective**

SECTION 3. This joint resolution takes effect July 1, 2015.

Ratified the 23rd day of June, 2015.

Approved the 24th day of June, 2015.

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