**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 48‑43‑400 SO AS TO ENCOURAGE THE APPROVAL OF INFRASTRUCTURE USED TO FACILITATE THE TRANSPORTATION OF OFFSHORE OIL INTO THE LAND AND WATERS OF THIS STATE BY THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, A STATE AGENCY, OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE, AND TO STUDY THE POSITIVE CONTRIBUTIONS THROUGH ROYALTIES TO THE STATE INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM.

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

SECTION 1. Article 2, Chapter 43, Title 48 is amended by adding:

“Section 48‑43‑400. Notwithstanding another provision of law, the State of South Carolina, a state agency, or a political subdivision of this State shall approve a plan or permit application to construct or otherwise use infrastructure used to facilitate the transportation of offshore oil into the land and waters of this State and shall study the positive contributions through royalties to the state infrastructure system. This infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, a facility designed to store oil and a pipeline.”

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

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