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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 20‑3‑130, RELATING TO ALIMONY, SO AS TO DEFINE “EARNING POTENTIAL.”

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

SECTION 1. Section 20‑3‑130(C)(4) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(4) the employment history and earning potential of each spouse. For purposes of this item, the earning potential for a salaried spouse is the salary of the spouse, and the earning potential for a self‑employed spouse is twice the minimum wage;

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

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