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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 29 TO CHAPTER 1, TITLE 1 SO AS TO PROHIBIT STATE‑FUNDED AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, UNIVERSITIES, OR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS FROM ALLOCATING FUNDING, RESOURCES, OR ANY FORM OF SUPPORT TO THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION.

Whereas, the President of the United States has issued a directive withdrawing the United States from the World Health Organization (WHO), citing concerns over its policies, practices, and alignment with American interests; and

Whereas, South Carolina taxpayers should not be compelled to fund or support entities that are inconsistent with the principles of transparency, accountability, and the sovereignty of the United States; and

Whereas, the policies and initiatives of the WHO have increasingly reflected priorities that undermine the freedoms and values cherished by the citizens of South Carolina; and

Whereas, it is the responsibility of this State to ensure that taxpayer dollars are used to advance the interests of South Carolinians and to protect the integrity of our state institution; and

Whereas, the State of South Carolina is committed to protecting the health and well‑being of its citizens through independent, transparent, and accountable decision‑making processes that prioritize the values and interests of its citizens. Now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 1, Title 1 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Article 29

Prohibition on Support for the World Health Organization

 Section 1‑1‑1910. No state‑funded agency, department, university, or public institution shall allocate funding, resources, or any form of support to the World Health Organization or any affiliated programs, policies, or initiatives.

SECTION 2. (A) All state‑funded entities currently implementing policies, guidelines, or initiatives derived from or associated with the World Health Organization shall immediately terminate such practices and policies.

 (B) Each state‑funded agency and university shall conduct a comprehensive review of their policies and budgets to identify and eliminate any connections, direct or indirect, with the World Health Organization.

 (C) All state‑funded entities shall submit a report to the General Assembly detailing compliance with this act within ninety days of the act taking effect.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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