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Administrative Interpretation No. 9.101-7606

THE 1976 AMENDMENTS TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONSUMER PROTECTION CODE BECAME EFFECTIVE AT 12:01 A.M. SEPTEMBER 29, 1976.

A question has arisen concerning the effective date of Act Number 686 which contains the 1976 Amendments to the Consumer Protection Code. (Act 1241 of 1974)

Section 71 of Act 686 of 1976 (S-119; R-815) which was enacted on June 25, 1976 by the General Assembly of South Carolina provides: "This Act shall take effect ninety days after approval by the Governor."

The Governor approved the Act on June 30, 1976. It is the opinion of this Department that calculation of the ninety day period excludes the day of approval, making the first day of the period July 1, 1976 and the ninetieth day of the period September 28, 1976. Act Number 686 therefore takes effect at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, September 29, 1976, which is the time of expiration of the ninety day period.

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