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**TO: ALL AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL
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FROM: THE HONORABLE DAVID HIOTT, CHAIRMAN

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There will be a meeting of the Agriculture Committee on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 410 of the Blatt Building. The following matters are on the agenda:

H. 5090 -- Rep. Clemmons: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-515, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE USE OF WILD TURKEY FEATHERS IN ART, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT WILD TURKEY PARTS MAY BE USED IN ARTS AND CRAFTS BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS, TO PROVIDE THAT THIS PROVISION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF WILD TURKEY MEAT, AND TO DELETE THE PROVISIONS THAT PROHIBIT THE SALE OF PARTS OF WILD TURKEYS AND THE SALE OF CAPES, BEARDS, AND FANS.

WILDLIFE:

H. 5110 -- Rep. Erickson: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 54-7-665 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS NOT ILLEGAL FOR AN INDIVIDUAL FOR A NONCOMMERCIAL PURPOSE WITHOUT A HOBBY LICENSE BELOW THE MEAN HIGH WATER MARK TO GATHER ON A PUBLIC BEACH SEASHELLS, SHARK OR FISH TEETH, DRIFTWOOD, OR ANY OTHER LIKE ITEMS THAT COULD POSSIBLY BE CONSIDERED ARTIFACTUAL MATERIAL IF THESE ITEMS ARE NATURALLY FOUND FROM TIME TO TIME ON A BEACH AS A RESULT OF THE TIDAL OR OTHER FLOW OF THE OCEAN OR OTHER BODIES OF SALT, BRACKISH, OR FRESH WATER, AND TO REQUIRE A NONEXCLUSIVE COMMERCIAL LICENSE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO DESIRES TO ENGAGE IN THIS ACTIVITY FOR A COMMERCIAL PURPOSE; TO AMEND SECTION 54-7-670, RELATING TO HOBBY LICENSES AND REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING TO HOBBY DIVERS UNDER THE UNDERWATER ANTIQUITIES ACT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IF AN APPLICATION FOR A HOBBY LICENSE IS DENIED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA INSTITUTE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY OR IF A HOBBY DIVER DISAGREES WITH A DECISION BY THE INSTITUTE, THE PERSON MAY APPEAL THE DECISION OR DENIAL TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA MUSEUM COMMISSION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF THE DECISION OR DENIAL, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE COMMISSION MAY UPHOLD OR REVERSE THE DECISION OF THE INSTITUTE OR REMAND THE MATTER TO THE INSTITUTE FOR FURTHER ACTION CONSISTENT WITH INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE COMMISSION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 60-13-10, RELATING TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA MUSEUM COMMISSION, SO AS TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION AND PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER OF FILLING VACANCIES.

WILDLIFE:

H. 3890 -- Reps. J.E. Smith and Taylor: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 49-4-35, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF WITHDRAWAL OF SURFACE WATER FOR AGRICULTURAL USES, SO AS TO REQUIRE PERMITTING FOR NEW WITHDRAWALS AND FOR EXPANSION OF EXISTING REGISTRATIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 49-4-55, RELATING TO THE RIGHT OF REGISTERED SURFACE WATER WITHDRAWERS TO APPLY FOR A PERMIT AND EXEMPT WITHDRAWERS TO APPLY FOR A PERMIT OR REGISTER AN EXEMPT USE, SO AS TO CHANGE THE OPTION OF A WITHDRAWER OF SURFACE WATER FOR AGRICULTURAL USES TO OBTAIN A PERMIT INTO A REQUIREMENT AND ELIMINATE THE RIGHT OF AN EXEMPT WITHDRAWER TO REGISTER THE USE; TO AMEND SECTION 49-4-70,

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H. 5088 -- Reps. V.S. Moss, Hixon and Funderburk: A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 39, TITLE 39, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PROVISIONS THAT REGULATE THE LABELING AND MARKETING OF EGGS, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF THE TERMS “EGGS” AND “RETAILER”, TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TERMS AND THEIR DEFINITIONS, TO PROVIDE THAT EGG PRODUCERS WHO SELL EGGS MUST OBTAIN A LICENSE FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE AND THAT THE LICENSE MUST BE RENEWED ANNUALLY FOR A FEE, TO PROVIDE THAT SHELL EGG PRODUCERS MUST WASH, SANITIZE, AND SIZE EGGS, TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION OF THE TERM “REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME FROM GATHERING”, TO REVISE THE EGG-LABELING REQUIREMENTS, TO REVISE THE SIZE, LETTERING AND INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THE PLACARD PLACED OVER A RECEPTACLE CONTAINING EGGS FOR SALE, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT REQUIRES A LOCATION THAT SERVES FOOD TO DISPLAY THE PLACARD ON RECEPTACLES CONTAINING EGGS, TO PROVIDE THAT A LOCATION THAT SERVES FOOD MUST PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL PROOF OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE’S LICENSED SOURCE,

AGRICULTURE:

H. 5063 -- Rep. Funderburk: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-1-143, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING IN PART TO THE RIGHT OF HOME-BASED FOOD PRODUCTION OPERATIONS TO APPLY FOR REGULATORY EXEMPTIONS FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, SO AS TO REFLECT THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE DOES NOT HAVE REGULATORY AUTHORITY OVER HOME-BASED FOOD PRODUCTION OPERATIONS.

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