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COMMITTEE REPORT

May 23, 2013

**S. 590**

Introduced by Senator Campsen

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Read the first time April 24, 2013.

**THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NATURAL**

**RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 590) to amend Section 50‑5‑1705 of the 1976 Code, relating to catch limits, to provide that it is unlawful for a person to take or possess more than, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass with amendment:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION:

/ SECTION \_\_. Section 50‑5‑15 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 7 of 2013, is further amended by adding the following appropriately numbered item:

“ (\_\_) ‘Fork length’ means the length of a fish laid flat and measured from the tip of the closed mount (snout) to the center of the fork of the tail. It is a straight line measure, not over the curvature of the body.” /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

NELSON L. HARDWICK for Committee.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 50‑5‑1705 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO CATCH LIMITS, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO TAKE OR POSSESS MORE THAN ONE TARPON IN ANY ONE DAY OR A TARPON OF LESS THAN SEVENTY‑SEVEN INCHES IN FORK LENGTH.

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

SECTION 1. Section 50‑5‑1705(D) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(D) It is unlawful for a person to take ~~or have in possession~~ possess more than one tarpon in any one day or a tarpon of less than seventy‑seven inches in fork length.”

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

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