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April 4, 2018

**H. 4971**

Introduced by Reps. Hixon, McCoy, Hewitt, Kirby, Forrest, Yow and Blackwell

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Read the first time February 21, 2018.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 50‑5‑1705, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO CATCH LIMITS FOR ESTUARINE AND SALTWATER FINFISH, SO AS TO REDUCE THE CATCH LIMIT FOR RED DRUM.

Amend Title To Conform

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 more than ~~three~~ two red drum in any one day, not to exceed six red drum in any one day on any boat.”

SECTION 2. Section 50-5-1705(L) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(L) It is unlawful to gig for spotted seatrout ~~or red drum~~ from December first through the last day of February, inclusive.”

SECTION 3. Section 50-5-1705 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding the following appropriately lettered subsection:

“( ) It is unlawful to gig for red drum.”

SECTION 4. This act takes effect on July 1, 2018.

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