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Summary: Taking deer committing depredation

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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 50‑11‑370 SO AS TO PERMIT THE TAKING OF DEER COMMITTING DEPREDATION WITHOUT A DEPREDATION PERMIT IF CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET.

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

SECTION 1. Article 3, Chapter 11, Title 50 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

 Section 50‑11‑370.  A landowner or lessee may take a deer, wild boar, and other crop-consuming wild animals on his agricultural use land that he owns or leases without a depredation permit if:

 (1) the deer, wild boar, and other crop-consuming wild animals are committing depredation;

 (2) the agricultural use land where the depredation is occurring is operating as an active working farm with a premises identification number and the landowner or lessee files a Schedule F document with the Internal Revenue Service; and

 (3) the individuals conducting depredation must be uncompensated for the work.

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

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