

## Session 126 - (2025-2026)

### H 3937 General Bill, By Hixon

#### **Summary:** Venomous Reptiles

A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ENACTING THE "SOUTH CAROLINA VENOMOUS REPTILES ACT" BY ADDING CHAPTER 8 TO TITLE 47 SO AS TO DEFINE TERMS, TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF VENOMOUS REPTILES WITHOUT A PERMIT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PERMITTING OF VENOMOUS REPTILES, TO ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR LAWFUL HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION OF VENOMOUS REPTILES, TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR SAFEKEEPING VENOMOUS REPTILES, TO PERMIT FOR THE SEIZURE OF VENOMOUS REPTILES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, TO PROVIDE EXEMPTIONS TO THE PERMIT REQUIREMENT, TO ESTABLISH JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT, TO ESTABLISH THE LIABILITY OF THE PERMITTEE, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF REGULATIONS, AND TO PERMIT THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS.

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