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H 3955 General Bill, By Gullick, H.B. Brown, Agnew, R.L. Brown, Funderburk, Gunn, Hodges and J.E. Smith

Summary: Appalachian Mountains Preservation Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 58-27-250 SO AS TO ENACT THE "APPALACHIAN MOUNTAINS PRESERVATION ACT", TO PROVIDE THAT AN ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITY THAT OPERATES A COAL-FIRED GENERATING UNIT MAY NOT ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE OR USE COAL EXTRACTED BY MOUNTAINTOP COAL MINING, TO REQUIRE A UTILITY TO ENSURE THE COAL IT AGREES TO PURCHASE OR USE WAS NOT EXTRACTED USING MOUNTAINTOP REMOVAL COAL MINING BY SECURING FROM COAL PROVIDERS BY SWORN STATEMENT, TO PROVIDE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND WHAT REPORTS MUST INCLUDE, TO ALLOW INFORMATION REPORTED TO THE COMMISSION TO BE CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL, TO PROVIDE FOR AN APPLICATION PROCEDURE TO DETERMINE A PROPER RATE, TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION TO PUBLISH A LIST OF PUBLIC UTILITIES THAT OPERATE A COAL-FIRED GENERATING UNIT, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION, AND TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS.

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