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H 4449 General Bill, By Umphlett, Witherspoon, Loftis, Young, Lowe, Jefferson, Dantzler, Gambrell, Hardwick, Harvin, Knight, Limehouse, E.H. Pitts, Toole, White and Mahaffey

Summary: Alligators

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 50-15-65 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH AN ALLIGATOR CONTROL PROGRAM FOR THE HUNTING AND FOR THE REMOVAL OF ALLIGATORS FROM PUBLIC LAND, TO PROVIDE FOR THE TERMS, CONDITIONS, FEES AND COSTS OF THIS PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 50-15-52 SO AS TO PERMIT HUNTING OF ALLIGATORS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AND WATERS WITH THE PROPERTY OWNER'S CONSENT UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, AND TO REQUIRE THAT A PERSON WHO KILLS AN ALLIGATOR UNDER THIS SECTION MUST MAKE EVERY REASONABLE EFFORT TO PROPERLY DISPOSE OF THE CARCASS WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME PERIOD; TO AMEND SECTION 50-15-50, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO MANAGEMENT OF NONGAME AND ENDANGERED WILDLIFE, SO AS TO DELETE A PROVISION PERMITTING THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO ISSUE PERMITS TO CERTAIN PERSONS ALLOWING THE REMOVAL AND DISPOSITION OF ALLIGATORS; TO AMEND SECTION 50-15-80, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS OF THE NONGAME AND ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION ACT AND THE DISPOSITION OF CONFISCATED PROPERTY, SO AS TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR WHAT ACTIONS GIVE RISE TO THE PENALTY PROVISIONS; AND TO REPEAL SECTION 50-15-60 RELATING TO COST OF SPECIFIED PROGRAMS AND ALLIGATOR-PRODUCTS PERMITS.

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