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S 0927 General Bill, By Campsen, Rice, Davis, Campbell, Cromer and Senn

Summary: Beachfront Management Reform Act

A BILL TO ENACT THE "BEACHFRONT MANAGEMENT REFORM ACT," BY AMENDING SECTION 48-39-280 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE FORTY-YEAR RETREAT POLICY FOR COASTAL TIDELANDS AND WETLANDS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SHALL ESTABLISH BASELINES AND SETBACK LINES FOR ALL GEOGRAPHIC AREAS WHERE BASELINES AND SETBACK LINES WERE ESTABLISHED ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2012, TO PROVIDE THAT THE BASELINES AND SETBACK LINES MUST BE ESTABLISHED ANEW NOT LESS THAN EVERY SEVEN YEARS BUT NOT MORE THAN EVERY TEN YEARS FOLLOWING AN ESTABLISHMENT CYCLE AND MUST BE BASED UPON THE BEST AVAILABLE DATA COLLECTED, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SHALL PROVIDE FOR A NOTICE AND COMMENT PERIOD TO THE PUBLIC REGARDING NEW BASELINES AND SETBACK LINES, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CREST OF A PRIMARY OCEANFRONT SAND DUNE MAY NOT BE LOCATED IN AN AREA WITHIN ONE YEAR FOLLOWING A SIGNIFICANT STORM EVENT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR A REVIEW PROCESS FOR LANDOWNERS WHO MAY BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BASELINE OR SETBACK LINE; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-1-60(A) OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO APPEALS FROM DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND CONTROL DECISIONS, TO EXEMPT THE DECISION TO ESTABLISH A BASELINE OR SETBACK LINE FROM THIS SECTION; AND BY DEFINING NECESSARY TERMS.

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