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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 48‑39‑150, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL’S APPROVAL OR DENIAL OF PERMITS FOR ACTIVITY IN CRITICAL AREAS IN THE COASTAL TIDELANDS AND WETLANDS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IN CONSIDERING THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF AN ACTIVITY IN OR ALTERATION OF A CRITICAL AREA AS COMPARED WITH THE BENEFITS OF PRESERVATION OF AN AREA IN ITS UNALTERED STATE, THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS ANALYSIS MUST INCLUDE THE EFFECT THE PROJECT WILL HAVE ON THE ABILITY OF SMALL BUSINESSES TO CREATE AND SUSTAIN JOBS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 48‑39‑150(7) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(7) The extent of the economic benefits, the analysis of which must include the effect the project will have upon the ability of small businesses to create and sustain jobs, as compared with the benefits from preservation of an area in its unaltered state.”

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

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