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**A29, R52, S643**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

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Summary: Displaying marine mammals

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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4/13/2011 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 18](file:///h:\sj%20archive\2011\04-13-11.docx))

4/13/2011 Senate Roll call Ayes‑42 Nays‑1 ([Senate Journal‑page 18](file:///h:\sj%20archive\2011\04-13-11.docx))

4/14/2011 Senate Read third time and sent to House ([Senate Journal‑page 24](file:///h:\sj%20archive\2011\04-14-11.docx))

4/26/2011 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 23](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\04-26-11.docx))

4/26/2011 House Referred to Committee on **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 23](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\04-26-11.docx))

5/4/2011 House Recalled from Committee on **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 38](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\05-04-11.docx))

5/5/2011 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 18](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\05-05-11.docx))

5/5/2011 House Roll call Yeas‑99 Nays‑0 ([House Journal‑page 18](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\05-05-11.docx))

5/5/2011 House Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day ([House Journal‑page 20](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\05-05-11.docx))

5/6/2011 House Read third time and enrolled ([House Journal‑page 108](file:///h:\hj%20archive\2011\05-06-11.docx))

5/17/2011 Ratified R 52

5/23/2011 Signed By Governor

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(A29, R52, S643)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 50‑5‑2310, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE UNLAWFUL EXHIBIT OF A MARINE MAMMAL IN THIS STATE AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION, SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE DISPLAY OF A WILD CAUGHT OR CAPTIVE‑BRED DOLPHIN OR WHALE.**

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

**Display of wild caught or captive-bred dolphin or whale prohibited, penalties for a violation**

SECTION 1. Section 50‑5‑2310 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 50‑5‑2310. (A) It is unlawful for a person, which includes a corporation, to display a wild caught or captive‑bred mammal of the order Cetacean (dolphins and whales).

(B) A person violating this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be fined not more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned for not more than six months.”

**Time effective**

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

Ratified the 17th day of May, 2011.

Approved the 23rd day of May, 2011.

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