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**A246, R275, S876**

**STATUS INFORMATION**

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Sponsors: Senators Cromer and Campsen

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Passed by the General Assembly on May 29, 2014

Governor's Action: June 6, 2014, Signed

Summary: Deer hunting

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

Date Body Action Description with journal page number

12/17/2013 Senate Prefiled

12/17/2013 Senate Referred to Committee on **Fish, Game and Forestry**

1/14/2014 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 55](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\01-14-14.docx))

1/14/2014 Senate Referred to Committee on **Fish, Game and Forestry** ([Senate Journal‑page 55](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\01-14-14.docx))

2/6/2014 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Fish, Game and Forestry** ([Senate Journal‑page 14](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\02-06-14.docx))

2/20/2014 Senate Committee Amendment Adopted ([Senate Journal‑page 10](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\02-20-14.docx))

2/20/2014 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 10](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\02-20-14.docx))

2/20/2014 Senate Roll call Ayes‑39 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 10](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\02-20-14.docx))

2/25/2014 Senate Read third time and sent to House ([Senate Journal‑page 16](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\02-25-14.docx))

2/26/2014 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 11](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\02-26-14.docx))

2/26/2014 House Referred to Committee on **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 11](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\02-26-14.docx))

4/1/2014 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 5](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\04-01-14.docx))

4/3/2014 House Debate adjourned until Tues., 4‑8‑14 ([House Journal‑page 29](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\04-03-14.docx))

4/8/2014 House Debate adjourned until Tues., 5‑6‑14 ([House Journal‑page 17](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\04-08-14.docx))

5/6/2014 House Debate adjourned until Wed., 5‑7‑14 ([House Journal‑page 23](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-06-14.docx))

5/7/2014 House Amended ([House Journal‑page 23](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-07-14.docx))

5/7/2014 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 23](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-07-14.docx))

5/7/2014 House Roll call Yeas‑102 Nays‑0 ([House Journal‑page 25](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-07-14.docx))

5/8/2014 House Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments ([House Journal‑page 131](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-08-14.docx))

5/15/2014 Senate Non‑concurrence in House amendment ([Senate Journal‑page 48](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\05-15-14.docx))

5/15/2014 Senate Roll call Ayes‑1 Nays‑37 ([Senate Journal‑page 48](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\05-15-14.docx))

5/20/2014 House House insists upon amendment and conference committee appointed Reps. Vick, Hixon, Riley ([House Journal‑page 28](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-20-14.docx))

5/21/2014 Senate Conference committee appointed McGill, Cromer, Shealy ([Senate Journal‑page 25](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\05-21-14.docx))

5/29/2014 House Conference report received and adopted ([House Journal‑page 23](file:///H:\HJ%20Archive\2014\05-29-14.docx))

5/29/2014 Senate Conference report received and adopted ([Senate Journal‑page 95](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\05-29-14.docx))

5/29/2014 Senate Ordered enrolled for ratification ([Senate Journal‑page 97](file:///H:\SJ%20Archive\2014\05-29-14.docx))

6/5/2014 Ratified R 275

6/6/2014 Signed By Governor

6/13/2014 Effective date 06/06/14

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(A246, R275, S876)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 50‑11‑355, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL DEER HUNTING NEAR A RESIDENCE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO HUNT DEER WITH A FIREARM WITHIN THREE HUNDRED YARDS OF A RESIDENCE WHEN LESS THAN TEN FEET ABOVE THE GROUND WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE OWNER AND OCCUPANT.**

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

**Deer hunting with a firearm**

SECTION 1. Section 50‑11‑355 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 50‑11‑355. It is unlawful to hunt deer with a firearm within three hundred yards of a residence when less than ten feet above the ground without permission of the owner and occupant. Anyone violating the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be fined not more than two hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days. The provisions of this section do not apply to a landowner hunting on his own land or a person taking deer pursuant to a department permit.”

**Time effective**

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

Ratified the 5th day of June, 2014.

Approved the 6th day of June, 2014.

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