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Summary: Permits to utilize critical areas

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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 1/24/2018 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 74](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20180124.docx))

 1/24/2018 House Referred to Committee on **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 74](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20180124.docx))

 2/15/2018 House Committee report: Favorable **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 52](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20180215.docx))

 2/22/2018 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 13](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20180222.docx))

 2/22/2018 House Roll call Yeas‑89 Nays‑1 ([House Journal‑page 13](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20180222.docx))

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 3/29/2018 Senate Committee report: Favorable **Agriculture and Natural Resources** ([Senate Journal‑page 7](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20180329.docx))

 4/3/2018 Scrivener's error corrected

 4/17/2018 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 14](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20180417.docx))

 4/17/2018 Senate Roll call Ayes‑41 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 14](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20180417.docx))

 4/18/2018 Senate Read third time and enrolled ([Senate Journal‑page 20](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20180418.docx))

 5/1/2018 Ratified R 187

 5/3/2018 Signed By Governor

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**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 48‑39‑130, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PERMITS TO UTILIZE CRITICAL AREAS, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO ISSUE GENERAL PERMITS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.**

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

**Department of Health and Environmental Control authorized to issue general permits**

SECTION 1. Section 48‑39‑130 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding an appropriately lettered subsection to read:

 “( ) The department, in its discretion, may issue a general permit when the issuance of the general permit would advance the implementation of the goals, policies, and purposes contained in Sections 48‑39‑20, 48‑39‑30, and 48‑39‑280.”

**Time effective**

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

Ratified the 1st day of May, 2018.

Approved the 3rd day of May, 2018.

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