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S 0101 General Bill, By Ryberg, Mescher and Ravenel

Summary: DHEC, septic tanks, regulations

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 44-55-625 AND SECTION 44-55-815 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO PROMULGATE OBJECTIVE REGULATIONS CONCERNING, RESPECTIVELY, PERMITTING AND REGULATING SEPTIC TANKS IN COUNTIES WITH A CITY OF OVER SEVENTY THOUSAND AND SEPTIC TANKS AT HOME SITES, TO PROHIBIT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL OR COUNTY BOARDS OF HEALTH FROM DENYING THE ISSUANCE OF SEPTIC TANK PERMITS IF CERTAIN CRITERIA ARE MET AND FROM INTERFERING IN THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY REGARDLESS OF WHAT TYPE OF SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS ARE PROPOSED, AND TO AUTHORIZE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COMMENT ON SEPTIC TANK PERMITS ONLY IF CERTAIN CRITERIA ARE NOT MET; AND TO AMEND SECTION 44-55-620, RELATING TO SPECIFICATIONS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY COUNTY BOARDS OF HEALTH IN COUNTIES WITH A CITY OF OVER SEVENTY THOUSAND, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ONLY OBJECTIVE SPECIFICATIONS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS MAY BE PROMULGATED AND TO REQUIRE AT LEAST TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE THEY ARE PROMULGATED, TO PROHIBIT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL OR A COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH FROM DENYING THE ISSUANCE OF SEPTIC TANK PERMITS IF CERTAIN CRITERIA ARE MET AND TO AUTHORIZE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COMMENT ON SEPTIC TANK PERMITS ONLY IF CERTAIN CRITERIA ARE NOT MET.

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