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COMMITTEE REPORT

April 1, 2014

**S. 876**

Introduced by Senators Cromer and Campsen

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Read the first time February 26, 2014.

**THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NATURAL**

**RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 876) to amend Section 50‑11‑355 of the 1976 Code, relating to unlawful deer hunting near a residence, to provide that it is unlawful to hunt deer with firearms, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass with amendment:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by deleting SECTION 1 in its entirety and inserting:

/ 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 deer depredation permit.” /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

NELSON L. HARDWICK for Committee.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 50‑11‑355 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL DEER HUNTING NEAR A RESIDENCE, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO HUNT DEER WITH FIREARMS NEAR A RESIDENCE WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE OWNER AND OCCUPANT.

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

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.”

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

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