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**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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(A19, R29, H3750)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 50‑9‑650, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEER HUNTING, SO AS TO REVISE THE NUMBER OF ANTLERLESS DEER TAGS THAT MAY BE ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 50‑11‑390, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES’ AUTHORITY TO REGULATE THE TAKING OF DEER, SO AS TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT REQUIRES THE DEPARTMENT TO ESTABLISH A MINIMUM NUMBER OF ANTLERLESS DAYS IN THE STATE’S GAME ZONES.**

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

**Antlerless deer tags**

SECTION 1. Section 50‑9‑650(B)(2)(a) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

 “(a) With the purchase of a South Carolina hunting license and a big game permit, a resident shall be issued two individual antlerless deer tags and three unrestricted individual antlered deer tags. Persons under the age of sixteen, lifetime, and gratis licensees may receive these tags upon request to the department. Residents, including persons under the age of sixteen, lifetime, and gratis licensees also may purchase:

 (i) two antler restriction individual antlered deer tags valid for deer with a minimum of four points on one antler or a minimum twelve‑inch inside antler spread for five dollars per tag; and

 (ii) additional individual antlerless deer tags for five dollars per tag.”

**Antlerless deer**

SECTION 2. Section 50‑11‑390(A) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

 “(A) The department may promulgate regulations to permit the taking of antlerless deer between September fifteenth and January first.”

**Time effective**

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 3rd day of April, 2019.

Approved the 3rd day of April, 2019.

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