**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 50‑21‑190, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ABANDONMENT OF WATERCRAFT AND OUTBOARD MOTORS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A SHERIFF OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 50‑21‑190 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding an appropriately lettered subsection at the end to read:

“( ) If the department fails to enforce the provisions contained in this section within thirty days of receiving notice of a violation, then the sheriff or local government whose jurisdiction covers the location in which the abandonment occurred may enforce these provisions fifteen days after providing the department notice of its intention to commence an enforcement action.”

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

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