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**A219, R247, H3291**

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Summary: Trespassing

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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12/9/2020 House Prefiled

12/9/2020 House Referred to Committee on **Judiciary**

1/12/2021 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 147](file:///h:\hj\20210112.docx))

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1/27/2021 House Recalled from Committee on **Judiciary** ([House Journal‑page 49](file:///h:\hj\20210127.docx))

1/27/2021 House Referred to Committee on **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 49](file:///h:\hj\20210127.docx))

3/11/2021 House Committee report: Favorable **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 2](file:///h:\hj\20210311.docx))

3/16/2021 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Ligon

3/16/2021 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 11](file:///h:\hj\20210316.docx))

3/16/2021 House Roll call Yeas‑103 Nays‑2 ([House Journal‑page 11](file:///h:\hj\20210316.docx))

3/17/2021 House Read third time and sent to Senate ([House Journal‑page 21](file:///h:\hj\20210317.docx))

3/17/2021 Senate Introduced and read first time ([Senate Journal‑page 6](file:///h:\sj\20210317.docx))

3/17/2021 Senate Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 6](file:///h:\sj\20210317.docx))

3/30/2022 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Climer (ch), Kimpson, Matthews, Adams, Kimbrell

4/22/2022 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Talley (ch), Hutto, Matthews, Climer, Senn, Cash, Harpootlian

5/4/2022 Senate Committee report: Favorable **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 12](file:///h:\sj\20220504.docx))

5/10/2022 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 56](file:///h:\sj\20220510.docx))

5/11/2022 Senate Amended ([Senate Journal‑page 12](file:///h:\sj\20220511.docx))

5/12/2022 Scrivener's error corrected

5/12/2022 Senate Read third time and returned to House with amendments ([Senate Journal‑page 111](file:///h:\sj\20220512.docx))

5/12/2022 Senate Roll call Ayes‑40 Nays‑1 ([Senate Journal‑page 111](file:///h:\sj\20220512.docx))

5/12/2022 House Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled

5/12/2022 House Roll call Yeas‑101 Nays‑1

5/18/2022 Ratified R 247

5/23/2022 Signed By Governor

6/1/2022 Effective date 05/23/22

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(A219, R247, H3291)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 16‑11‑600, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO TRESPASSING AND THE POSTING OF NOTICE OF TRESPASSING, SO AS TO ALLOW FOR A DIFFERENT METHOD OF THE POSTING OF NOTICE OF TRESPASSING INVOLVING CLEARLY VISIBLE PURPLE‑PAINTED BOUNDARIES.**

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

**Notice of trespassing, purple paint**

SECTION 1. Section 16‑11‑600 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 16‑11‑600. (A) Every entry upon the lands of another, after notice from the owner or tenant has been posted or given prohibiting such entry, is a misdemeanor and must be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment not more than thirty days.

(B) The owner or tenant of any lands may accomplish the posting of notice as follows:

(1) by posting a notice in four conspicuous places on the borders of such land prohibiting entry thereon; or

(2) by marking boundaries with a clearly visible purple‑painted marking, consisting of one vertical line not less than eight inches in length and two inches in width, and the bottom of the mark not less than three nor more than six feet from the ground or normal water surface. These marks must be affixed to immovable, permanent objects that are not more than one hundred yards apart and readily visible to any person approaching the property.

(C) When any owner or tenant of any lands shall post a notice as provided in this section, a proof of the posting is deemed and taken as notice conclusive against the person making entry for the purpose of trespassing.”

**Time effective**

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

Ratified the 18th day of May, 2022.

Approved the 23rd day of May, 2022.

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