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Representative Lowe proposes the following amendment:

Section 47- P240 - Department of Natural Resources

New:

47.ipe. (DNR: Invasive Plant Eradication) The Department of Natural Resources is authorized to establish a Pilot Early Detection and Rapid Response (EDRR) program to identify and eradicate newly established invasive plant species. These are species that have been found reproducing in South Carolina, outside of cultivation, only within the last decade, i.e., newly arrived, non-native species. For this purpose, the department may utilize funds provided by other state or federal agencies to hire staff and procure equipment and supplies. Department personnel are authorized to perform invasive species control work on both public and private lands, provided that work on those properties is conducted only with the consent of the landowner. No fees shall be charged to landowners for participation in this program.