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South Carolina House Legislative Oversight Committee Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee Mr. Charles L. Appleby, IV, Chief Counsel Post Office Box 11867 Columbia, SC 29211

RE: Department of Natural Resources Agency Recommendations

Dear Mr. Appleby:

Secretary Hammond reviewed the proposed Department of Natural Resources agency recommendation as outlined below. The Secretary of State's Office will transmit the commissions of all enforcement officers to the department and not to the DNR Board if the recommendation is approved and implement by statutory revision.

Law Recommendation # 38: S.C. Code Ann. 50-3-320

<u>Recommendation and rationale for recommendation</u>: Amend. The department purchases bonds for all DLEOs and department employees, so an individual bond is no longer required. Also, the board is not involved in day to day operation of the department.

SECTION 50-3-320. Transmittal and delivery of commissions of enforcement officers. The Secretary of State shall transmit to the board department the commissions of all enforcement officers and the director shall deliver such commissions to the enforcement officers only after the enforcement officers have filed oaths and-bonds as required by Section 50-3-330.

Presented and Approved by Board/Commission: Y

Other Agencies Impacted: Secretary of State

Thank you for the opportunity to review the recommendation and provide input.

Sincerely,

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