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**TO: ALL AGRICULTURE SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**FROM: THE HONORABLE STEVE MOSS, CHAIRMAN**

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**DATE: March 13, 2018**

**There will be a meeting of the Agriculture Subcommittee on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, thirty (30) minutes upon adjournment in Room 410 of the Blatt Building. The following matters are on the agenda:**

**H. 5088 -- Reps. V.S. Moss, Hixon and Funderburk:** A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE 3, CHAPTER 39, TITLE 39, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PROVISIONS THAT REGULATE THE LABELING AND MARKETING OF EGGS, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF THE TERMS "EGGS" AND "RETAILER", TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TERMS AND THEIR DEFINITIONS, TO PROVIDE THAT EGG PRODUCERS WHO SELL EGGS MUST OBTAIN A LICENSE FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE AND THAT THE LICENSE MUST BE RENEWED ANNUALLY FOR A FEE, TO PROVIDE THAT SHELL EGG PRODUCERS MUST WASH,

SANITIZE, AND SIZE EGGS, TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION OF THE TERM “REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME FROM GATHERING”, TO REVISE THE EGG-LABELING REQUIREMENTS, TO REVISE THE SIZE, LETTERING AND INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THE PLACARD PLACED OVER A RECEPTACLE CONTAINING EGGS FOR SALE, TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT REQUIRES A LOCATION THAT SERVES FOOD TO DISPLAY THE PLACARD ON RECEPTACLES CONTAINING EGGS, TO PROVIDE THAT A LOCATION THAT SERVES FOOD MUST PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL PROOF OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE’S LICENSED SOURCE, TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO OFFER EGGS WITHOUT PROPER LABELING AND IT IS LAWFUL TO USE THE WORD “CERTIFIED” UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ADVERTISING OR SELLING OF EGGS, TO REVISE THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH IT IS UNLAWFUL TO OFFER EGGS FOR SALE THAT ARE NOT STORED PROPERLY IN A REFRIGERATED STATE, TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN PRODUCERS, RETAILERS, WHOLESALERS, DISTRIBUTORS, AND FARM/PRODUCERS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 39, TITLE 39, TO PROVIDE A PERSON’S CONDUCT MUST BE FOUND TO BE WILFUL IN AN ACTION FOR A VIOLATION UNDER CHAPTER 39, TITLE 39, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES.

**H. 5063 -- Rep. Funderburk:** A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-1-143, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING IN PART TO THE RIGHT OF HOME-BASED FOOD PRODUCTION OPERATIONS TO APPLY FOR REGULATORY EXEMPTIONS FROM THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, SO AS TO REFLECT THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE DOES NOT HAVE REGULATORY AUTHORITY OVER HOME-BASED FOOD PRODUCTION OPERATIONS.

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