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TO: ALL WILDLIFE SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS

FROM: THE HONORABLE BILL HIXON, CHAIRMAN

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DATE: March 28, 2019

The Wildlife Subcommittee is meeting Thursday, March 28, 2019, at 9:00 am in Room 410 of the Blatt Building. The following matters are on the agenda:

H. 4317 -- Rep. Hiott: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 50-9-680 SO AS TO CREATE A COYOTE BOUNTY PROGRAM TO PROVIDE PAYMENTS FOR ADULT COYOTES LAWFULLY REMOVED FROM THIS STATE; BY ADDING SECTION 50-9-930 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE FUNDING TO BE USED TO ADMINISTER THE COYOTE BOUNTY PROGRAM; TO AMEND SECTION 50-9-450, RELATING TO COMMERCIAL FUR LICENSES, SO AS TO REQUIRE A LICENSE TO SELL OR TAKE THE PELTS OF CERTAIN FUR-BEARING ANIMALS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 50-9-510 AND 50-9-515, BOTH RELATING TO HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES, BOTH SO AS TO INCREASE CERTAIN FEES BY ONE DOLLAR; TO

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AMEND SECTION 50-9-920, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE REVENUES FROM THE SALE OF LICENSES, SO AS TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT FUNDS FROM ANTLERED DEER TAGS BE USED TO ADMINISTER THE COYOTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM; TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-2450, RELATING TO REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL FUR LICENSEES, SO AS TO ALTER A CODE REFERENCE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-2540, RELATING TO TRAPPING SEASON FOR FUR-BEARING ANIMALS, SO AS TO ESTABLISH THAT IT IS LAWFUL TO TRAP CERTAIN FUR-BEARING ANIMALS AND TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS LAWFUL TO TRAP COYOTES YEAR ROUND.

H. 4318 -- Reps. Hixon, Forrest and Kirby: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-544, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO WILD TURKEY HUNTING AND TRANSPORTATION TAGS, SO AS TO DELETE THE TERM "WILD TURKEY TRANSPORTATION TAGS" AND REPLACE IT WITH THE TERM "WILD TURKEY TAGS" AND TO PROVIDE THE TAGS WILL NO LONGER BE ISSUED AT NO COST; TO AMEND SECTION 50-11-580, RELATING TO THE SEASON FOR THE HUNTING AND TAKING OF MALE WILD TURKEY, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING WEEKEND, BAG LIMITS, AND AN ANNUAL REPORT, SO AS TO REVISE THE SEASON FOR HUNTING AND TAKING A MALE WILD TURKEY, TO REVISE THE BAG LIMITS, TO DELETE THE PROVISION ESTABLISHING YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING WEEKEND, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE TAKING OF FEMALE WILD TURKEYS; BY ADDING SECTION 50-11-590 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR YOUTH TURKEY DAY; TO AMEND SECTION 50-9-920, RELATING TO REVENUES FROM THE SALE OF PRIVILEGES, LICENSES, PERMITS, AND TAGS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT REVENUE GENERATED FROM RESIDENT AND NONRESIDENT WILD TURKEY TRANSPORTATION TAG SETS SHALL BE USED FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES; BY ADDING SECTION 50-9-640 SO AS TO PROVIDE FEES FOR WILD TURKEY TAGS; TO REPEAL SECTION 50-11-520 RELATING TO WILD TURKEY SEASON AND THE DECLARATION OF OPEN OR CLOSED SEASONS; TO REPEAL SECTION 7 OF ACT 41 OF 2015 RELATING TO THE HUNTING AND TAKING OF WILD TURKEY; AND BY ADDING SECTION 50-11-546 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR AN ELECTRONIC HARVEST REPORTING SYSTEM, REQUIREMENTS FOR REPORTING THE HARVEST OF A WILD TURKEY, AND PENALTIES FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS PROVISION.

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