

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

H*3629 (Rat #0114, Act #0107 of 2026) General Bill, By T. Moore

Summary: Forestry Commission

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 48-23-120, RELATING TO FORESTRY COMMISSION ACQUISITIONS, SO AS TO PERMIT ACQUISITION OF TIMBERLANDS AND AGRICULTURAL LANDS, TO PROVIDE FOR USES OF THOSE LANDS AND PROHIBIT ACQUISITION OF LAND AT A PRICE EXCEEDING ITS FAIR MARKET VALUE; BY AMENDING SECTION 48-23-132, RELATING TO REVENUES FROM SPECIFIED SOURCES, SO AS TO OUTLINE WHAT THE FUNDS MAY BE USED FOR; BY AMENDING SECTION 48-33-60, RELATING TO DUTIES AND POWERS OF COUNTY FORESTRY BOARDS AND EMPLOYEES, SO AS TO SPECIFY DUTIES; BY AMENDING SECTION 48-33-70, RELATING TO FOREST FIRE PROTECTION ACTIVITIES, SO AS TO UPDATE PLAN REQUIREMENTS; BY AMENDING SECTION 48-33-80, RELATING TO ACCESS TO PROPERTY, SO AS TO DESIGNATE WHO MAY ACCESS LAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTING OR CONTROLLING FIRES; BY REPEALING SECTION 48-23-270 RELATING TO USE OF REVENUE FOR SCRUB OAK ERADICATION, REFORESTATION, TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT, AND HARVEST CUTTING IN STATE PARKS; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 48-23-280 RELATING TO USE OF REVENUE FOR SCRUB OAK ERADICATION AND REFORESTATION IN MANCHESTER AND SANDHILLS STATE FORESTS. - RATIFIED TITLE

12/12/24	House	Prefiled
12/12/24	House	Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs
01/14/25	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 271)
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02/26/25	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs (House Journal-page 8)
02/27/25	House	Amended (House Journal-page 27)
02/27/25	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 27)
02/27/25	House	Roll call Yeas-112 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 28)
02/27/25	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 30)
02/28/25	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 3)
03/04/25	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 13)
03/04/25	Senate	Referred to Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry (Senate Journal-page 13)
03/11/26	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Fish, Game and Forestry (Senate Journal-page 12)
03/17/26	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 36)
03/17/26	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 36)
03/17/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-40 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 36)
03/19/26	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 20)
03/25/26	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 50)
03/25/26	House	Roll call Yeas-116 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 51)
03/25/26		Ratified R 114
03/30/26		Signed By Governor
04/02/26		Effective date 03/30/26
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