

Session 126 - (2025-2026)

S*0961 (Rat #0242, Act #0231 of 2026) General Bill, By Campsen

Summary: Red drum, saltwater fish, deer hunting

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 50-5-1705, RELATING TO CATCH LIMITS FOR CERTAIN SALTWATER GAME FISH, SO AS TO REVISE THE CATCH LIMIT FOR RED DRUM; BY AMENDING SECTION 50-5-1710, RELATING TO SIZE LIMITS FOR CERTAIN SALTWATER GAME FISH, SO AS TO REVISE THE SIZE LIMIT FOR RED DRUM; BY AMENDING SECTION 50-5-1700, RELATING TO EQUIPMENT FOR THE CATCHING OF SALTWATER GAME FISH, SO AS TO REQUIRE A NONOFFSET, NONSTAINLESS STEEL CIRCLE HOOK WHEN USING A HANDHELD HOOK AND LINE AND A HOOK SIZE OF 4/0 OR LARGER; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 50-9-650, RELATING TO DEER HUNTING, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF ANTERLESS DEER TAGS ISSUED. - RATIFIED TITLE

02/26/26	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 3)
02/26/26	Senate	Referred to Committee on Fish, Game and Forestry (Senate Journal-page 3)
03/04/26		Scrivener's error corrected
03/11/26	Senate	Committee report: Favorable Fish, Game and Forestry (Senate Journal-page 12)
03/17/26	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 34)
03/17/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-39 Nays-1 (Senate Journal-page 34)
03/19/26	Senate	Read third time and sent to House (Senate Journal-page 20)
03/24/26	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 43)
03/24/26	House	Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs (House Journal-page 43)
05/06/26	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs (House Journal-page 9)
05/07/26	House	Amended (House Journal-page 90)
05/07/26	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 90)
05/07/26	House	Roll call Yeas-98 Nays-3 (House Journal-page 91)
05/07/26	House	Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day (House Journal-page 92)
05/08/26	House	Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments (House Journal-page 2)
05/12/26	Senate	House amendment amended (Senate Journal-page 17)
05/12/26	Senate	Roll call Ayes-40 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 17)
05/12/26	Senate	Returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 17)
05/14/26	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 26)
05/14/26	House	Roll call Yeas-104 Nays-6 (House Journal-page 27)
05/15/26		Ratified R 242
05/19/26		Signed By Governor
06/05/26		Effective date See Act for Effective Date
06/03/26		Act No. 231