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A BILL TO AMEND TITLE 46, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO AGRICULTURE, BY ADDING CHAPTER 53 SO AS TO ENACT THE "FARM AND FOREST LANDS PROTECTION ACT" WHICH, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ESTABLISHES REQUIREMENTS, CRITERIA, AND PROCEDURES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PRIORITY AGRICULTURAL LAND AREAS AND THE PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING AND ENHANCING AGRICULTURAL AND FOREST LANDS AS A VIABLE SEGMENT OF THE STATE'S ECONOMY; WHICH PROVIDES FOR COMPENSATION OF LANDOWNERS FOR RELINQUISHMENT OF THE RIGHT TO DEVELOP PRIVATE PROPERTY; WHICH ESTABLISHES THE STATE PRIORITY AGRICULTURAL LAND BOARD WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO ADMINISTER A PROGRAM TO DISBURSE FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS MEMBERS AND THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES; AND WHICH AUTHORIZES COUNTY COUNCILS TO ESTABLISH COUNTY PRIORITY AGRICULTURAL LAND BOARDS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES.

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