

Session 115 - (2003-2004)

H 3965 General Bill, By Limehouse

Summary: Fishing limitations

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 50-5-547 SO AS TO PROVIDE SPECIFICATIONS, ESCAPE VENT REQUIREMENTS, AND A PEELER TRAP EXEMPTION FOR RECREATIONAL CRAB TRAPS; BY ADDING SECTION 50-5-1302 SO AS TO PROVIDE LIMITS FOR RECREATIONAL TAKING OF BLUE CRABS; BY ADDING SECTION 50-13-390 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR TAKING BLUE CRABS IN FRESHWATERS AND FOR USE OF BLUE CRAB TROT LINES AND TRAPS IN FRESHWATERS; TO AMEND SECTION 50-5-20, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN LIMITATIONS OF SIZE, TAKE, AND POSSESSION OF MARINE RESOURCES APPLY REGARDLESS OF WHERE TAKEN OR POSSESSED; TO AMEND SECTION 50-5-32, RELATING TO CLOSING CERTAIN SALT WATER FISHING SEASONS, SO AS TO REVISE THE SECTION AND FURTHER PROVIDE FOR CLOSING SALTWATER FISHING SEASONS IN ANTICIPATION OF CERTAIN OCCURRENCES WHICH THREATEN FISHERY RESOURCES OR HABITAT; TO AMEND SECTION 50-5-105, RELATING TO UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES AFFECTING FISHING EQUIPMENT, CATCHES, OR ACTIVITIES OF ANOTHER PERSON, SO AS TO REVISE THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE SECTION; TO AMEND SECTION 50-5-325, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT LICENSES, SO AS TO REVISE THE SECTION AND FURTHER PROVIDE FOR THE USE AND REGULATION OF PEELER TRAPS; TO AMEND SECTION 50-5-555, RELATING TO TRAP PLACEMENT AND ATTENTION REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO FURTHER PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY REMOVE, DISPOSE OF, AND TREAT CERTAIN ABANDONED TRAPS AS CONTRABAND; TO AMEND SECTION 50-5-2500, RELATING TO POINT VALUES FOR SUSPENSION OF SALTWATER PRIVILEGES, SO AS TO PROVIDE POINTS FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS INVOLVING TRAPS, LINES, BUOYS, AND OBSTRUCTIONS OF NAVIGATION.

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