

Session 115 - (2003-2004)

H*4070 (Rat #0415, Act #0258 of 2004) General Bill, By Witherspoon

Summary: Aquatic Life Protection Act

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 48-1-87 SO AS TO ENACT THE "AQUATIC LIFE PROTECTION ACT" TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL TO IMPOSE NPDES PERMIT LIMITATIONS FOR TOXICITY IF A DISCHARGE HAS THE REASONABLE POTENTIAL TO IMPACT WATER QUALITY UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND TO FURTHER DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT IN TESTING AND DEVELOPING METHODOLOGIES TO IMPLEMENT THIS REQUIREMENT; TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY PUBLISHES A NOTICE OF INTENT IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER TO COMMENCE WITHDRAWAL OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA NPDES PROGRAM AS A DIRECT RESULT OF THIS ACT, THE APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS ACT IS SUSPENDED; AND TO PROVIDE THAT FIVE YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL AND ANY INTERESTED PARTIES SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO DETERMINE WHETHER REPEAL OF THE ACT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. - ratified title

04/24/03	House	Introduced and read first time HJ-16
04/24/03	House	Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs HJ-16
03/31/04	House	Committee report: Favorable Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs HJ-5
04/13/04	House	Read second time HJ-26
04/14/04	House	Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-20
04/14/04	Senate	Introduced and read first time SJ-7
04/14/04	Senate	Referred to Committee on Medical Affairs SJ-7
04/28/04	Senate	Recalled from Committee on Medical Affairs SJ-9
04/28/04	Senate	Committed to Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources SJ-9
05/25/04	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Agriculture and Natural Resources SJ-13
05/27/04	Senate	Amended SJ-232
05/27/04	Senate	Read second time SJ-232
05/27/04	Senate	Ordered to third reading with notice of amendments SJ-232
06/01/04	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-24
06/02/04	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-30
06/03/04		Ratified R 415
06/15/04		Signed By Governor
06/24/04		Copies available
06/24/04		Effective date 06/15/04
06/24/04		Act No. 258