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CHAPTER 27

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 46-9-40 and 46-9-50

27-55. Tropical Soda Apple Quarantine.

27-56. Benghal Dayflower Quarantine.

27-57. Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine.

**Synopsis:**

To list and describe current plant pests and quarantine areas and conditions related to the control of said plant pests. In this case, the listing is being updated by removing the quarantine areas for Tropical Soda Apple, Benghal Dayflower and Emerald Ash Borer.

Section‑by‑Section Discussion:

27-55. Tropical Soda Apple Quarantine.

Delete text as listed below.

27-56. Benghal Dayflower Quarantine.

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27-57. Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine.

Delete text as listed below.

The Notice of Drafting was published in the *State Register* on October 28, 2022.

**Instructions:**

Repeal the regulations as shown below.

**Text:**

27-55. Repealed.

27-56. Repealed.

27-57. Repealed.

**Fiscal Impact Statement:**

None.

**Statement of Rationale:**

These plant pests are now established in South Carolina and across the Southeast. The quarantine efforts have not been effective in stopping the spread of these plant pests and less restrictive efforts can be implemented that will lessen the impact to agriculture and forest industries in South Carolina. Continuing to maintain these quarantines will cost state resources with minimal impacts on reducing the spread of these plant pests. The threat of any state imposing an external quarantine on South Carolina is minimal as these pests are now established in many of our neighboring states.