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**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE CLEMSON UNIVERSITY, STATE CROP PEST COMMISSION, RELATING TO DESIGNATION OF ASIAN CITRUS PYSLLID AS PLANT PEST AND QUARANTINE, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 4039, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. The regulations of the Clemson University, State Crop Pest Commission, relating to Designation of Asian citrus pysllid as plant pest and quarantine, designated as Regulation Document Number 4039, and submitted to the General Assembly pursuant to the provisions of Article 1, Chapter 23, Title 1 of the 1976 Code, are approved.

SECTION 2. This joint resolution takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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SUMMARY AS SUBMITTED

BY PROMULGATING AGENCY.

Asian citrus psyllid (ACP), *Diaphorina citri* Kuwayama, has been discovered in Charleston County, Beaufort County and Colleton County. It is the primary vector for citrus greening, also called Huanglongbing or yellow dragon disease, which is one of the more serious diseases of citrus. Citrus greening disease is a threat to the US citrus industry and has been found throughout Florida and in Orleans Parish, Louisiana. The proposed actions will focus on the most effective method of preventing the introduction of the disease into the State by giving greater effect to state and federal quarantines at point of origin.

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