AMENDED

March 6, 2012

**H. 4716**

Introduced by Rep. Hayes

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Read the first time February 8, 2012.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 57‑23‑855 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MAY MAINTAIN AND MOW ROADSIDE VEGETATION BEYOND THIRTY FEET FROM THE PAVEMENT ADJACENT TO EXIT 190 ALONG INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 95 IN DILLON COUNTY.

Amend Title To Conform

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

SECTION 1. Article 17, Chapter 23, Title 57 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 57‑23‑855. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 57‑23‑800, or any other provision of law, the Department of Transportation may maintain and mow roadside vegetation beyond thirty feet from the pavement adjacent to Exit 190 along Interstate Highway 95 in Dillon County.”

SECTION 2. Section 57‑23‑800 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

“(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon the prior written approval of the Department of Transportation, a county or municipality may, at its own expense, mow beyond thirty feet from the pavement roadside vegetation adjacent to the interstate highway system located within the county or municipality’s jurisdiction.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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