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MAJORITY FAVORABLE

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**S. 661**

Introduced by Senators S. Martin, Bryant, Bright and Grooms

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**THE COMMITTEE ON**

**AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 661) to amend Title 44 of the 1976 Code, relating to health, to enact the “Agenda 21 Protection Act” by adding Chapter 137 to prohibit this State and its political, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

Has polled the Bill out majority favorable.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND TITLE 44 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO HEALTH, TO ENACT THE “AGENDA 21 PROTECTION ACT” BY ADDING CHAPTER 137 TO PROHIBIT THIS STATE AND ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM ADOPTING AND DEVELOPING ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL POLICIES THAT, WITHOUT DUE PROCESS, WOULD INFRINGE OR RESTRICT THE PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS OF THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY.

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

SECTION 1. Title 44 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“CHAPTER 137

AGENDA 21 PROTECTION ACT

Section 44‑137‑10. (A) As used in this section, ‘political subdivision’ means any municipality, city, county, state, public body, public‑private partnership, and any other governmental body of this State.

(B) No political subdivision of this State may adopt or implement policy recommendations that deliberately or inadvertently infringe or restrict private property rights without due process, as may be required by policy recommendations originating in, or relating to ‘Agenda 21’, adopted by the United Nations in 1992 at its Conference on Environment and Development or any other international law or ancillary plan of action that contravenes the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of this State.

(C) No political subdivision of this State may enter into any agreement, expend or receive funds, contract for services, or provide financial aid to or from those non‑governmental and inter‑governmental organizations as defined in Agenda 21 accredited and enlisted by the United Nations to assist in the implementation of its policies relative to Agenda 21 around the world.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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