**A** **BILL**

TO PERMIT MAINTENANCE DREDGING BY INDIVIDUALS OF CERTAIN EXISTING NAVIGATIONAL CANAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENTS AUTHORIZED BY A PERMIT FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT, AS AMENDED, OR THE RIVERS AND HARBORS ACT.

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

SECTION 1. A Department of Health and Environmental Control permit is not required for maintenance dredging in existing navigational canal community developments by individuals of manmade, predominately armored, recreational use canals and essential access canals conveyed to the State or dedicated to the public for that purpose between 1965 and the effective date of this act if the maintenance dredging is authorized by a permit from the United States Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended, or the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. All other Department of Health and Environmental Control administered certifications for such dredging are deemed waived.

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

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