**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 23‑31‑510, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO ACTIVITIES TO DO WITH FIREARMS THAT MAY NOT BE REGULATED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY NOT REGULATE FIREARM ACCESSORIES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 23‑31‑510 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 220 of 2008, is further amended to read:

“Section 23‑31‑510. No governing body of ~~any~~ a county, municipality, or other political subdivision in the State may enact or promulgate ~~any~~ a regulation or ordinance that regulates or attempts to regulate:

(1) the transfer, ownership, possession, carrying, or transportation of firearms, firearm accessories, ammunition, components of firearms, or ~~any~~ a combination of these things; or

(2) a landowner discharging a firearm on the landowner’s property to protect the landowner’s family, employees, the general public, or the landowner’s property from animals that the landowner reasonably believes pose a direct threat or danger to the landowner’s property, people on the landowner’s property, or the general public. For purposes of this item, the landowner’s property must be a parcel of land comprised of at least twenty‑five contiguous acres. ~~Any~~ An ordinance regulating the discharge of firearms that does not specifically provide for an exclusion pursuant to this item is unenforceable as it pertains to an incident described in this item; otherwise, the ordinance is enforceable.”

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

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