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Summary: Santee River Set Hooks

**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS**

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 2/11/2021 Senate Introduced and read first time

 2/11/2021 Senate Referred to Committee on **Fish, Game and Forestry**

 3/3/2021 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Fish, Game and Forestry** ([Senate Journal‑page 13](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210303.docx))

 3/9/2021 Senate Committee Amendment Adopted ([Senate Journal‑page 16](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210309.docx))

 3/9/2021 Senate Read second time ([Senate Journal‑page 16](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210309.docx))

 3/9/2021 Senate Roll call Ayes‑37 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 16](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210309.docx))

 3/10/2021 Scrivener's error corrected

 3/10/2021 Senate Read third time and sent to House ([Senate Journal‑page 14](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210310.docx))

 3/11/2021 House Introduced and read first time ([House Journal‑page 14](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210311.docx))

 3/11/2021 House Referred to Committee on **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 14](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210311.docx))

 4/28/2021 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 65](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210428.docx))

 4/29/2021 House Debate adjourned ([House Journal‑page 39](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210429.docx))

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 5/4/2021 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 16](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210504.docx))

 5/4/2021 House Roll call Yeas‑120 Nays‑0 ([House Journal‑page 17](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210504.docx))

 5/5/2021 House Read third time and returned to Senate with amendments ([House Journal‑page 8](file:///h%3A%5Chj%5C20210505.docx))

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 5/6/2021 Senate Concurred in House amendment and enrolled ([Senate Journal‑page 64](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210506.docx))

 5/6/2021 Senate Roll call Ayes‑45 Nays‑0 ([Senate Journal‑page 64](file:///h%3A%5Csj%5C20210506.docx))

 5/13/2021 Ratified R 71

 5/17/2021 Signed By Governor

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(A57, R71, S545)

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 50‑13‑675, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO NONGAME FISHING DEVICES PERMITTED IN CERTAIN BODIES OF WATER, SO AS TO ALLOW FOR THE USE OF SET HOOKS WITHIN A CERTAIN PORTION OF THE SANTEE RIVER, TO ESTABLISH A LIMIT FOR THE NUMBER OF HOOP NETS A COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSEE MAY USE ON THE WATEREE RIVER, AND TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF HOOP NETS ON THE CONGAREE RIVER.**

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

**Set hooks allowed on Santee River**

SECTION 1. Section 50‑13‑675(46) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

 “(46) Santee River, from USGS gauging station 1715 about 2.4 miles below Santee Dam downstream to the saltwater/freshwater dividing line including the North and South Santee Rivers:

 (a) eel pots:

 (i) recreational license—two;

 (ii) commercial license—seventy‑five;

 (b) skimbow nets:

 (i) recreational license only—one;

 (c) traps:

 (i) recreational license—two;

 (ii) commercial license—fifty;

 (d) trotlines:

 (i) recreational license—one line with fifty hooks maximum;

 (ii) commercial license—five lines with two hundred fifty hooks maximum;

 (e) set hooks:

 (i) recreational license—fifty;

 (ii) commercial license—fifty;”

**Hoop nets on Wateree River, commercial license limit**

SECTION 2. Section 50‑13‑675(55)(a) of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

 “(i) commercial license only—ten;”

**Hoop nets prohibited on Congaree River**

SECTION 3. Section 50‑13‑675(9) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

 “(9) Congaree River:

 (a) set hooks:

 (i) recreational license—fifty;

 (ii) commercial license—fifty;

 (b) traps:

 (i) recreational license—two;

 (ii) commercial license—ten;

 (c) trotlines:

 (i) recreational license—one line with fifty hooks maximum;

 (ii) commercial license—three lines with one hundred fifty hooks maximum;”

**Time effective**

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Ratified the 13th day of May, 2021.

Approved the 17th day of May, 2021.

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