**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, RELATING TO COMMERCIAL PERMIT DURATION, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5096, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

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

SECTION 1. The regulations of the Department of Natural Resources, relating to Commercial Permit Duration, designated as Regulation Document Number 5096, and submitted to the General Assembly pursuant to the provisions of Article 1, Chapter 23, Title 1 of the 1976 Code, are approved.

SECTION 2. This joint resolution takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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SUMMARY AS SUBMITTED

BY PROMULGATING AGENCY.

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources proposes to promulgate Regulation 123‑36 to clarify the duration of commercial shellfish culture and mariculture permits. S.C. Code Section 50‑5‑900 establishes five‑year permits. This regulation will specify that for purposes of five‑year shellfish culture and mariculture permits issued pursuant to S.C. Code Section 50‑5‑900, the first year of the five‑year period shall end on December 31, regardless of the month and day of permit issuance. This proposal was approved by the Natural Resources Board on September 16, 2021.

A Notice of Drafting for the proposed regulation was published in the *State Register* on September 24, 2021.

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