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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 57-23-810 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DEPOSIT YARD DEBRIS ON TO A PUBLIC HIGHWAY, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.

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

SECTION 1. Article 17, Chapter 23, Title 57 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

 Section 57-23-810. (A) It is unlawful for a person to knowingly and wilfully sweep, blow, move, place, or otherwise deposit yard debris or waste onto a public highway.

 (B) A person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, must be fined not more than one hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect on one hundred eighty days after approval by the Governor. For a period of one hundred eighty days after the effective date of this act, only warning tickets may be issued.

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