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12/18/2018 House Referred to Committee on **Judiciary**

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3/20/2019 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Brown

3/27/2019 House Committee report: Favorable **Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs** ([House Journal‑page 25](file:///h:\hj\20190327.docx))

4/2/2019 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hixon

4/2/2019 House Debate adjourned until Wed., 4‑3‑19 ([House Journal‑page 32](file:///h:\hj\20190402.docx))

4/4/2019 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Forrest

4/4/2019 House Read second time ([House Journal‑page 26](file:///h:\hj\20190404.docx))

4/4/2019 House Roll call Yeas‑98 Nays‑3 ([House Journal‑page 26](file:///h:\hj\20190404.docx))

4/4/2019 House Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day ([House Journal‑page 27](file:///h:\hj\20190404.docx))

4/5/2019 House Read third time and sent to Senate ([House Journal‑page 1](file:///h:\hj\20190405.docx))

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4/9/2019 Senate Referred to Committee on **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 8](file:///h:\sj\20190409.docx))

4/30/2019 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Young (ch), Sabb, M.B.Matthews, Goldfinch, Talley

5/7/2019 Senate Recalled from Committee on **Judiciary** ([Senate Journal‑page 7](file:///h:\sj\20190507.docx))

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AMENDED

May 8, 2019

**H. 3079**

Introduced by Reps. Pope, Burns, Bryant, Clyburn, Yow, Brown, Hixon and Forrest

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Read the first time April 9, 2019.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 16‑11‑600, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO TRESPASSING AND THE POSTING OF NOTICE OF TRESPASSING, SO AS TO ALLOW FOR A DIFFERENT METHOD OF THE POSTING OF NOTICE OF TRESPASSING INVOLVING CLEARLY VISIBLE PURPLE‑PAINTED BOUNDARIES.

Amend Title To Conform

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

SECTION 1. Section 16‑11‑600 of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“Section 16‑11‑600. (A) Every entry upon the lands of another where any horse, mule, cow, hog, or any other livestock is pastured, or any other lands of another, after notice from the owner or tenant has been posted prohibiting such entry, ~~shall be~~ is a misdemeanor and must be punished by a fine of not ~~to exceed~~ more than one hundred dollars~~,~~ or by imprisonment ~~with hard labor on the public works of the county for~~ not ~~exceeding~~ more than thirty days. ~~When any owner or tenant of any lands shall post a notice in four conspicuous places on the borders of such land prohibiting entry thereon, a proof of the posting shall be deemed and taken as notice conclusive against the person making entry, as aforesaid, for the purpose of trespassing.~~

(B) The owner or tenant of any lands may accomplish the required posting of notice as follows:

(1) by posting a notice in four conspicuous places on the borders of such land prohibiting entry thereon; or

(2) by marking boundaries with a clearly visible purple‑painted marking, consisting of one vertical line not less than eight inches in length and two inches in width, and the bottom of the mark not less than three nor more than six feet from the ground or normal water surface. These marks must be affixed to immovable, permanent objects including, but not limited to, trees and fence posts, that are not more than one hundred yards apart and readily visible to any person approaching the property. The provisions of this subsection relating to purple-painted markings shall not apply to any property within the limits of a municipality.

(C) When any owner or tenant of any lands shall post a notice as provided in this section, a proof of the posting is deemed and taken as notice conclusive against the person making entry for the purpose of trespassing.”

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

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