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COMMITTEE REPORT

February 16, 2017

**H. 3665**

Introduced by Reps. Hixon, Kirby, Hewitt, Atkinson, Sottile, Cogswell, Yow, Wheeler and Forrest

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Read the first time February 2, 2017.

**THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NATURAL**

**RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

To whom was referred a Bill (H. 3665) to amend Section 50‑5‑1710, as amended, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to size limits for certain fish that may be lawfully taken, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass with amendment:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION:

\ SECTION \_\_\_. Section 50-5-1705(G) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 50 of 2013, is further amended to read:

“(G) It is unlawful for a person to take or possess more than ~~fifteen~~ ten flounder (Paralichthys species) taken by means of gig, spear, hook and line, or similar device in any one day, not to exceed ~~thirty~~ twenty flounder in any one day on any boat.” \

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

DAVID R. HIOTT for Committee.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 50‑5‑1710, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SIZE LIMITS FOR CERTAIN FISH THAT MAY BE LAWFULLY TAKEN, POSSESSED, LANDED, SOLD, OR PURCHASED, SO AS TO INCREASE THE SIZE LIMIT FOR FLOUNDER THAT MAY BE LAWFULLY TAKEN, POSSESSED, LANDED, SOLD, OR PURCHASED.

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

SECTION 1. Section 50‑5‑1710(B)(2) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 7 of 2013, is further amended to read:

“(2) flounder (Paralichthys) of less than ~~fourteen~~ fifteen inches total length;”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2017.

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