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Please advise.

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From: Darrell Scott [mailto:darrell.scott@scchamber.net]

Sent: Wednesday, June 06, 2012 03:02 PM To: Veldran, Katherine

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Katherine

Attached is a brief summary of the pollution control act fix.

The senate gave 3rd reading to H 4654 today and the house concurred with senate amendments.

The house and senate clerks are working to ratify this afternoon and get the bill to the Governor's desk today.

Governor Haley's signature today is paramount to stopping frivolous lawsuits against SC companies. Just today, we were notified by a member that they will be sued for not having a "PCA permit", even though that permit does not exist.

This legislation corrects a SC Supreme Court ruling that would stifle economic .development.

We need the Governor's signature ASAP so that more frivolous lawsuits cannot be filed in the next couple days. We do not know how many companies have been sued today, but signature today would prevent any lawsuits from being filed tomorrow for sure.

the bill prohibits citizen suits and creates an administrative remedy for citizens to petition DHEC where the lack of a permit may be in question. The bill also states the conditions are or are not needed.

The compromise also creates an isolated wetlands and Carolina bays task force to study and present findings on if any further steps should be taken to protect those lands.

Sara and I would like to meet with you this afternoon if possible.

This has been a key economic development priority all session for chamber, scma and numerous other business groups. This bill is critical and in line with Governor Haley's strong economic development platform. The significance of doing this quickly is the uncertainty of how many lawsuits

are pending that the environmental law center and other environmental groups may file in the next several days.

Thank you for your consideration.

Darrell

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