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Gentlemen: The only reason I could envision to drastically alter the almost 40 year old Coastal Zone Management Act of 1977 which protects environmentally sensitive coastal areas would be to develop the land. I see no reason for changing these regulations and exposing the area to the possibility of over-development, and I urge you to defeat S.0522 and H.3797, thereby making it a **greater** day in South Carolina.

Thank you for your dedicated service to the State of South Carolina

From: Myles Maland [[<mailto:action@scccl.org>](mailto:action@scccl.org)]
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Friends --

We need your help to stop Dorchester County officials from unraveling South Carolina's Coastal Zone Management Act.
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The state Coastal Zone Management Act of 1977 was created to protect the lands and waters of South Carolina's Coastal Zone. For more than three decades, the "Coastal Zone" has been comprised of all counties that contain at least one critical area. These coastal counties include Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Horry, Jasper, and Georgetown Counties, in their entirety.

Now a handful of folks from Dorchester County are attempting to rewrite the Coastal Zone Management Act (the Act) and push it through the legislature without appropriate review -- all under the guise of "stimulating the economy" in one county.

Last week, Senator Sean Bennett and Representatives Chris Murphy and Jenny Horne introduced bills S.0522 and H.3797. This legislation would remove approximately 90% of Dorchester County, including large portions of the Ashley and Edisto River corridors, from the Coastal Zone. It would have far-reaching and detrimental impacts on the state's most important rivers, thousands of acres of marshes and wetlands, endangered species, and critical habitat, as well as some of our most significant cultural and historical resources -- including the Ashley River Historic District.

Please contact your senator and representative today and ask them to oppose this legislation.

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Here are the five primary reasons we're opposing this legislation:

1. This legislation sets a dangerous precedent. If portions of Dorchester County are removed from the Coastal Zone Management Act without adequate review or opportunity for comment, then other coastal counties could follow suit.
2. This legislation will have adverse impacts on natural resources, such as the Ashley and Edisto Rivers, Four Hole Swamp, and Francis Biedler Forest.
3. This legislation will have adverse impacts on our cultural and historical resources, including the Ashley River Historic District.
4. There is no evidence that bypassing coastal zone management safeguards will stimulate the economy or create jobs. In fact, the Act was created to help promote and encourage economic growth in a way that complements and protects the coast's natural assets.
5. This legislation deserves a full review with opportunities for the public to comment.

Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions. Thanks for your continued support of the Coastal Conservation League.

Best,

Myles Maland

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