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11	Representative(s) Pickens offered the following:
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13	Amendment
14	On page 27, lines 1 thru 24
15	remove: all of said lines
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17	and insert:
18	(a) Property used in connection with a violation
19	resulting in a conviction for the illegal taking, or attempted
20	taking, sale, possession, or transportation of saltwater
21	products is subject to seizure and forfeiture as part of the
22	commission's efforts to protect the state's marine life.
23	Saltwater products and seines, nets, boats, motors, other
24	fishing devices or equipment, and vehicles or other means of
25	transportation used or attempted to be used in connection
26	with, as an instrumentality of, or in aiding and abetting such
27	illegal taking or attempted taking are hereby declared to be
28	nuisances.
29	(b) Upon a conviction of a person in whose possession
30	the property was found, the court having jurisdiction over the
31	criminal offense, notwithstanding any jurisdictional

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limitations on the amount in controversy, may make a finding that the property was used in connection with a saltwater products violation and may order such property forfeited to the commission. (c) For purposes of this section, a conviction, except with respect to a first time offender under this chapter for whom adjudication is withheld, is any disposition other than acquittal or dismissal.