SCI
FIRST FOR HUNTERS®
Lowcountry Chapter
P.O. Box 408
Ravenel, SC 29470
843-893-3304

March 18, 2015

Dear Senator/ Representative,

I am writing today to ask for your support for **Senate Bill No. 454** which is focused on limiting the harvest of antlered (buck) deer in the same way the State of South Carolina has managed the doe deer population for many years. I ask you to consider supporting this legislation in my capacity as president of the Lowcountry Chapter of the Safari Club International. The Lowcountry Chapter is the only local chapter in SC and therefore represents the entire State membership in the largest hunting organization in the United States and Internationally. Our membership is representative of all levels of hunting from those who hunt only in our own backyards to members with International experience on six continents. Membership in SCI defines a hunter as first and foremost, a conservationist who is dedicated to the pursuit of our natural resources as well as the conservation practices required to protect those resources for the enjoyment of generations of hunters and outdoor enthusiasts in the future.

The Senate bill referenced herein defines a sustainable and definitive effort in meeting the goals of our membership. We know first-hand, that in order to enjoy our passion, we must take the lead in protecting these resources. In the past few weeks, I have polled our Board of Directors and our entire membership. The response was surprising as it was absolutely unanimous. I have not heard from a single member of our chapter who is against this legislation and in fact, 100% were enthusiastically in favor of passage of **Senate Bill 454**.

By writing this letter, I am fulfilling the direction of the Board of Directors of our chapter to endorse **Senate Bill 454** and to urge you to do the same by voting in favor of this Bill as filed by Senator Campsen. It is my understanding that the bill will be taken up in the House Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee in the near future. I would urge all House members to do the same when the bill reaches that body.

In closing I would like to thank each of you for what you do for our State. If I can answer any questions with regard to this issue, please feel free to contact me at your convenience at 843-889-2227.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

W. L. Snow
President
Lowcountry Chapter,
Safari Club International