

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2007**

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**SENATE BILL 1813**

Short Title: Funds for Oyster Hatcheries. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senators Boseman; and Preston.

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Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

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May 21, 2008

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF OYSTER  
2 RESTORATION AND MARICULTURE IN NORTH CAROLINA THROUGH A  
3 COORDINATED SHELLFISH HATCHERY PROGRAM INVOLVING  
4 RESEARCHERS, INDUSTRY, AND STATE AGENCIES.  
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.(a)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the  
8 Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Marine Fisheries, the  
9 sum of eight million two hundred forty-three thousand six hundred fifty-eight dollars  
10 (\$8,243,658) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to address the needs of oyster restoration and  
11 mariculture in North Carolina through a coordinated shellfish hatchery program  
12 involving researchers, industry, and State agencies. Of these funds, the sum of seven  
13 million six hundred eighty-two thousand one hundred seven dollars (\$7,682,107) shall  
14 be used for capital, and the remainder shall be used for operating expenses.

15 **SECTION 1.(b)** These funds shall be used to construct and operate:

- 16 (1) A production scale shellfish hatchery under the Department of  
17 Environment and Natural Resources and  
18 (2) A research scale shellfish hatchery under the University of North  
19 Carolina System at the Center for Marine Science at UNC  
20 Wilmington.

21 These shellfish hatcheries shall be based on the plan previously developed by the North  
22 Carolina Oyster Hatchery Program under the North Carolina Aquariums.

23 **SECTION 2.** Recurring funds in the amount of six hundred thousand dollars  
24 (\$600,000) appropriated to the Division of North Carolina Aquariums for oyster  
25 hatcheries are hereby transferred to the Division of Marine Fisheries. These funds shall  
26 be used for the purchase of larvae and for other services.

27 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.