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HOUSE BILL 16*
Committee Substitute Favorable 3/8/17
Senate Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee Substitute Adopted 6/27/18

Short Title: New Hanover County Shellfish Lease Moratorium. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

January 26, 2017

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON SHELLFISH LEASING IN THE NEW HANOVER COUNTY AREA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding G.S. 113-202 and G.S. 113-202.1, a moratorium on new shellfish cultivation leases and new water column leases for aquaculture shall be imposed for all those waters bordered in the north by a line beginning at a point 34° 13.10221' N – 77° 48.79544' W on the mainland near the Wrightsville Beach Bridge; running southeasterly to a point 34° 12.51584' N – 77° 47.81847' W on Wrightsville Beach; and bordered in the south by a line beginning at a point 34° 03.38623' N – 77° 53.97666' W on the north shore of Snow's Cut; running southerly following the Highway 421 Bridge to a point 34° 03.30219' N – 77° 53.97825' W on the south shore of Snow's Cut, to include the waters of Myrtle Grove Sound, Masonboro Sound, and Greenville Sound.

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and expires July 1, 2019.

