

April 3, 2003

S 825. AMEND ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS-2. TO AMEND CHAPTERS 143 AND 143B OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND OTHER LAWS PERTAINING TO THE ENVIRONMENT. Blank bill.

Intro. by Albertson.

Ref. to	GS 143, 143B
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April 22, 2003

S 825. PROTECT CERTAIN REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS (NEW). Intro. 4/3/03. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Replaces blank bill with new GS 113-333(a)(6), authorizing Wildlife Resources Comm'n to adopt and implement rules regulating the taking, possession, collection, transportation, purchase or sale of wild animals in the classes Amphibia and Reptilia that do not meet GS 113-334 listing criteria, except Comm'n is not authorized to adopt rules solely to protect persons, property, or habitat or to prohibit possession of four or less reptiles or 24 or less amphibians. Effective July 1, 2003, new sec. 2 provides that until Comm'n adopts rules to regulate taking of turtles in the families of Emydidae and Trionychidae, the commercial taking of those turtles is a misdemeanor punishable as provided in GS 113-135, except sec. is inapplicable to certain governmental and educational entities. "Commercial taking" is defined as the taking, possession, collection, transportation, purchase or sale of five or more individual turtles from the reptile families specified.

April 22, 2003

S 825. PROTECT CERTAIN REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS. Intro. 4/3/03. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Amends GS 113-333(a)(6) to clarify that "conservation measures" warranting Comm'n regulation are those measures needed to prevent the addition of the species to GS 113-334 protected animal lists.

May 8, 2003

S 825. PROTECT CERTAIN REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS. Intro. 4/3/03. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Makes clear that bill's prohibition on commercial taking of certain turtles applies equally to similar terrapins.

June 3, 2003

SL 2003-100 (S 825). PROTECT CERTAIN REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS. AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO PROTECT CERTAIN REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS THAT REQUIRE CONSERVATION MEASURES. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 4/22/03 and 5/8/03. Enacted May 31, 2003. Section 2 is effective July 1, 2003. The remainder of this act is effective May 31, 2003.