

May 15, 2008

**H 2153. PROTECT BRUNSWICK COUNTY ARTIFICIAL REEFS.** Filed 5/15/08. *TO PROHIBIT COMMERCIAL FISHING NEAR ARTIFICIAL REEFS WITHIN THREE NAUTICAL MILES OF THE SHORELINE OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY.*

Provides that the term "commercial fishing operation" has the same meaning as in GS 113-168. Requires the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) to mark all artificial reefs within three nautical miles of the Atlantic Ocean shoreline and specifies the precise map coordinates of the area to be so marked. Makes it a Class 1 misdemeanor for any person to engage in a commercial fishing operation within 1,000 yards of an artificial reef marking device placed by the DMF. Effective December 1, 2008.

**Intro. by Stiller.**

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