



NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT Senate Bill 410*

AMENDMENT NO. A3

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Amends Title [NO] Fifth Edition

Date	,2017

Representative McGrady

moves to amend the bill on page 6, lines 3 through 23, by rewriting the lines to read:

"IMPORTATION OF AMERICAN EELS FOR AQUACULTURE/STUDY

SECTION 3.1.(a) Definitions. – "Importation of Marine and Estuarine Organisms Rule" means 15A NCAC 03I .0104 (Introduce, Transfer or Hold Imported Marine and Estuarine Organisms) for purposes of this section and its implementation.

SECTION 3.1.(b) Importation of Marine and Estuarine Organisms Rule. – Until the effective date of the revised permanent rule that the Marine Fisheries Commission is required to adopt pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, the Commission and the Division of Marine Fisheries of the Department of Environmental Quality shall implement the Importation of Marine and Estuarine Organisms Rule, as provided in subsection (c) of this section.

SECTION 3.1.(c) Implementation. — Use of American eels in an aquaculture operation that are imported from Virginia water bodies that share drainage with North Carolina river basins is exempt from the permitting requirements for pathology testing of the Importation of Marine and Estuarine Organisms Rule.

SECTION 3.1.(d) Additional Rule-Making Authority. – The Commission shall adopt a rule to amend the Importation of Marine and Estuarine Organisms Rule consistent with subsection (c) of this section. Notwithstanding G.S. 150B-19(4), the rule adopted by the Commission, pursuant to this section, shall be substantively identical to the provisions of subsection (c) of this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are not subject to Part 3 of Article 2A of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes. Rules adopted pursuant to this section shall become effective as provided in G.S. 150B-21.3(b1) as though 10 or more written objections had been received as provided by G.S. 150B-21.3(b2).

SECTION 3.1.(e) Sunset. – This section expires when permanent rules adopted as required by subsection (d) of this section become effective.

SECTION 3.2. The Division of Marine Fisheries of the Department of Environmental Quality shall develop a risk assessment plan for common marine and estuarine aquaculture species. In developing the plan, the Division shall also specifically consider reforms to reduce the regulatory burdens on the aquaculture industry while maintaining protection of native species and habitats. No later than May 1, 2018, the Division shall report



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its findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture

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