GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1539

| Short Title: Brunswick Tire Recovery Funds. | (Public) |
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| Sponsors: Representatives Redwine, Hill, and Wright. | |
| Referred to: Appropriations. | |

May 25, 1994

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO RECOVER TII

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO RECOVER TIRES FROM THE OCEAN THAT HAVE BROKEN AWAY FROM AN ARTIFICIAL REEF PLACED BY THE DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFF THE COAST OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Division of Marine Fisheries, Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year to be used by the Division to recover or to contract for the recovery of approximately 225,000 tires that constituted an artificial fishing reef that the Division of Marine Fisheries placed off the coast of Yaupon Beach in Brunswick County between 1975 and 1982, but that presently are breaking away from the reef and washing up on the beaches, thereby harming the commercial fishing and tourism industries in Brunswick County. The use of unballasted tires for artificial reefs was stopped in 1982 and subsequently banned under the North Carolina Artificial Reef Master Plan developed by the Division of Marine Fisheries.

Marine Fisheries.
Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1994.