

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003

HOUSE BILL 1134
RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE BY WHICH COASTAL HABITAT PROTECTION PLANS MUST BE ADOPTED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 6.9 of S.L. 1997-400 reads as rewritten:

"**Section 6.9.** All of the Coastal Habitat Protection Plans required by G.S. 143B-279.8, as enacted by Section 3.1 of this act, shall be adopted no later than ~~1 July 2003~~ December 31, 2004. The Coastal Resources Commission, the Environmental Management Commission, and the Marine Fisheries Commission shall make the first report on progress in developing and implementing Coastal Habitat Protection Plans, as required by G.S. 143B-279.8(e), as enacted by Section 3.1 of this act, on or before 1 September 1999. The Secretary of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources shall make the first report on progress in developing and implementing Fishery Management Plans, as required by G.S. 113-182.1(f), as enacted by Section 3.4 of this act, on or before 1 September 1999."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 21st day of May, 2003.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

Richard T. Morgan
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved _____m. this _____ day of _____, 2003