## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2011

**HOUSE BILL 321\*** 

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Short Title: Grifton Shad Festival. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives McLawhorn, E. Warren, and Cook (Primary Sponsors). For a complete list of Sponsors, see Bill Information on the NCGA Web Site. Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. March 14, 2011 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE TOWN OF GRIFTON'S SHAD FESTIVAL AS THE OFFICIAL SHAD FESTIVAL OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA. Whereas, the Grifton Shad Festival, held annually since 1970, is the oldest festival in Pitt County and one of the longest running festivals in eastern North Carolina; and Whereas, the Grifton Shad Festival provides visitors with many family-oriented activities, such as a parade, arts and crafts, and historical exhibits; and Whereas, each year, citizens in the area demonstrate their community pride by volunteering to make the festival a success; Now, therefore, The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: SECTION 1. Chapter 145 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read: "§ 145-33. State shad festival. The Grifton Shad Festival is adopted as the official Shad Festival of the State of North Carolina."

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

