

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1224

Short Title: Haw in Scenic River System.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hackney; Barnes, Holt, Bowman, and S. Hunt.

Referred to: Basic Resources.

April 12, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE HAW RIVER A SCENIC RIVER AREA UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA NATURAL AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 113A-35.2 reads as rewritten:

"§ 113A-35.2. Additional components.

That segment of the Linville River beginning at the State Highway 183 bridge over the Linville River and extending approximately 13 miles downstream to the boundary between the United States Forest Service lands and lands of Duke Power Company (latitude 35° 50' 20" ) shall be a scenic river area and shall be included in the North Carolina Natural and Scenic River System.

That segment of the Horsepasture River in Transylvania County extending downstream from Bohaynee Road (N.C. 281) to Lake Jocassee shall be a natural river and shall be included in the North Carolina Natural and Scenic Rivers System.

That segment of the Haw River beginning south of the United States Highway 64 bridge at Jordan Lake and extending approximately 28 miles upstream to the lower side of the dam at Swepsonville shall be a scenic river area and shall be included in the North Carolina Natural and Scenic Rivers System."

Sec. 2. The Department of Natural Resources and Community Development shall, by January 1, 1990, prepare a management plan for the Haw River section designated a scenic river area in section 1 of this act. This plan shall recognize and provide for protection of the existing undeveloped scenic and recreational features of the river so as to preserve its outstandingly scenic character in perpetuity. Further, this management plan and the river corridor selected in it shall satisfy Federal requirements

1 for the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System set forth in 16 U.S.C. Sections 1271  
2 and 1273(a)(ii) and (b) as amended and implementing regulations published in the  
3 Federal Register.

4           The General Assembly requests the Governor to seek inclusion of the Haw  
5 River section in the National System of Wild and Scenic Rivers by action of the  
6 Secretary of the Interior. This inclusion shall be at no cost to the Federal government,  
7 as prescribed in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

8           Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.