GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 117

Short Title: Increase Fisheries Fines.

(Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Grady, Chapin, and Kimsey.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO INCREASE FINES IN G.S. 113-135 FOR VIOLATION OF RULES 3 ADOPTED BY THE MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION OR THE WILDLIFE 4 **RESOURCES COMMISSION, AS APPROPRIATE.** 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. G.S. 113-135(a) reads as rewritten: 6 7 "§ 113-135. General penalties for violating Subchapter or rules; increased penalty for prior convictions; interpretive provisions. 8 9 Any person who violates any provision of this Subchapter or any rule adopted (a) by the Marine Fisheries Commission or the Wildlife Resources Commission, as 10 appropriate, pursuant to the authority of this Subchapter, is guilty of a misdemeanor 11 except that punishment for violation of the rules of the Wildlife Resources Commission 12 is limited as set forth in G.S. 113-135.1. Unless a different level of punishment is 13 elsewhere set out, anyone convicted of a misdemeanor under this section is punishable 14 15 as follows: 16 For a first conviction, a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00)-twenty-(1)five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) one hundred 17 18 dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. For a second or subsequent conviction within three years, a fine of not 19 (2)less than fifty dollars (50.00) one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more 20 than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) five hundred dollars (\$500.00), 21 imprisonment not to exceed 90 days, or both." 22 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective August 1, 1991. 23