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SENATE DRS15183-SB-21 (03/12)

Short Title: Protect Oyster Sanctuaries.

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Sponsors: Senator Vaughan.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT COMMERCIAL FISHING WITHIN ONE HUNDRED YARDS OF
3 AN OYSTER SANCTUARY.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Article 16 of Chapter 113 of the General Statutes is amended by
6 adding a new section to read:

7 "**§ 113-211. Protection of oyster sanctuaries.**

8 It is unlawful to engage in a commercial fishing operation, as defined in G.S. 113-168, with
9 the use of commercial fishing equipment or gear within 100 yards of an area designated as an
10 oyster sanctuary by the Marine Fisheries Commission."

11 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2009, and applies to
12 offenses committed on or after that date.

