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HOUSE BILL 474

Short Title: Promote Maritime Activity.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative R. Thompson.

Referred to: Business and Labor.

March 23, 1993

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ENLARGE THE PURPOSES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SEAFOOD
INDUSTRIAL PARK AUTHORITY TO INCLUDE THE PROMOTION OF
GENERAL MARITIME ACTIVITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 113-315.28 reads as rewritten:

"§ 113-315.28. Purposes of Authority.

Through the Authority hereinbefore created, the State of North Carolina may engage in promoting, developing, construction, equipping, maintaining and operating the seafood industrial parks within the State, or within the jurisdiction of the State, and works of internal improvements incident thereto, including the acquisition or construction, maintenance and operation as such seafood industrial parks of watercraft and facilities thereon or essential for the proper operation thereof. Said Authority is created as an instrumentality of the State of North Carolina for the accomplishment of the following general purposes:

- (1) To develop and improve the Wanchese Seafood Industrial Park, and such other places, including inland ports and facilities, as may be deemed feasible for a more expeditious and efficient handling of seafood commerce from and to any place or places in the State of North Carolina and other states and foreign counties;
- (2) To acquire, construct, equip, maintain, develop and improve the port facilities at said parks and to improve such portions of the waterways thereat as are within the jurisdiction of the federal government;

- 1 (3) To foster and stimulate the shipment of seafood commerce through
2 said ports, whether originating within or without the State of North
3 Carolina, including the investigation and handling of matters
4 pertaining to all transportation rates and rate structures affecting the
5 same;
- 6 (4) To cooperate with the United States of America and any agency,
7 department, corporation or instrumentality thereof in the maintenance,
8 development, improvement and use of said seafood harbors;
- 9 (5) To accept funds from any of said counties or cities wherein said ports
10 are located and to use the same in such manner, within the purposes of
11 said Authority, as shall be stipulated by the said county or city, and to
12 act as agent or instrumentality of any of said counties or cities in any
13 matter coming within the general purposes of said Authority;
- 14 (5a) To encourage and develop the general maritime and marine-related
15 industries and activities at or in the vicinity of the seafood industrial
16 parks;
- 17 (6) And in general to do and perform any act or function which may tend
18 to be useful toward the development and improvement of seafood
19 industrial parks of the State of North Carolina, and to increase the
20 movement of waterborne seafood commerce, foreign and domestic, to,
21 through, and from seafood industrial parks.

22 The enumeration of the above purposes shall not limit or circumscribe the broad
23 objectives of developing to the utmost the seafood possibilities of the State of North
24 Carolina."

25 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.