## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1995 SESSION

## CHAPTER 37 HOUSE BILL 345

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF YAUPON BEACH TO CREATE A SEA TURTLE SANCTUARY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Town of Yaupon Beach may create and establish a sea turtle sanctuary within the areas of the town limits above the mean low watermark, to include the foreshore. Any ordinance adopted by the town to regulate activities within the sea turtle sanctuary which may or will disturb or destroy a sea turtle, a sea turtle nest, or sea turtle eggs must be consistent with the ordinance powers found in G.S. 160A-174, G.S. 160A-308, and any other law. The ordinance adopted by the town may by cross-reference incorporate the criminal statutes regarding the taking of sea turtles at G.S. 113-189 and G.S. 113-337. It shall be unlawful for any person within the sea turtle sanctuary to disturb or destroy a sea turtle, a sea turtle nest, or sea turtle eggs in violation of an ordinance adopted by the Town of Yaupon Beach.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 17th day of April, 1995.

Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives