

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2007**

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**HOUSE BILL 1017**

Short Title: Brunswick Menhaden Restrictions. (Local)

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Sponsors: Representatives Stiller, Hill (Primary Sponsors); Daughtridge, Folwell, Gulley, Justice, Killian, McGee, Samuelson, and Steen.

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Referred to: Environment and Natural Resources, if favorable, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

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March 27, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL TO TAKE MENHADEN OR ATLANTIC  
3 THREAD HERRING WITH A PURSE SEINE NET WITHIN THREE NAUTICAL  
4 MILES OF THE SHORELINE OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY FROM MAY 1  
5 THROUGH OCTOBER 31 OF EACH YEAR.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       **SECTION 1.(a)** It is unlawful to take menhaden or Atlantic thread herring  
8 by the use of a purse seine from May 1 through October 31 of each year within three  
9 nautical miles of the Atlantic Ocean shoreline in that area east of a line beginning at a  
10 point onshore at the border between North Carolina and South Carolina at 33°  
11 51.0667'N – 78° 32.5833'W; running southeasterly three nautical miles to a point  
12 offshore at 33° 48.8342'N – 78° 29.8494'W; and south of a line beginning at a point  
13 onshore at the border between Brunswick County and New Hanover County at 33°  
14 55.8833'N – 77° 56.2000'W; then running southeasterly three nautical miles to a point  
15 offshore at 33° 54.5735'N – 77° 52.7184'W.

16       **SECTION 1.(b)** Violation of subsection (a) of this section is a Class A1  
17 misdemeanor.

18       **SECTION 2.** This act is effective 30 days after it becomes law and applies  
19 to offenses committed on or after the date it becomes effective.