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HOUSE BILL 2155

Senate State & Local Government Committee Substitute Adopted 7/9/08

Short Title: Holden Beach/Oak Island No-Wake Zone.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

May 19, 2008

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NO-WAKE SPEED ZONE NEAR THE TOWNS OF
HOLDEN BEACH AND OAK ISLAND.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. It is unlawful to operate a vessel at greater than a no-wake speed in the Intracoastal Waterway adjacent to the Town of Holden Beach and the Town of Oak Island within 1,000 feet of the center of the intersection of the inlet at the Lockwood Folly River. No-wake speed is idle speed or a slow speed creating no appreciable wake.

SECTION 2. With regard to marking the no-wake speed zone established in Section 1 of this act, the Town of Holden Beach, Town of Oak Island, Brunswick County, or their designees may place and maintain the markers in accordance with the United States Aids to Navigation System (USATONS) and any supplementary standards for such system adopted by the Wildlife Resources Commission. Markers of the no-wake speed zone shall be buoys, floating signs, or fixed signs, as appropriate, placed in the water and must be sufficient in number and size as to give adequate warning of the no-wake speed zone to the vessels approaching from various directions.

SECTION 3. This act is enforceable under G.S. 75A-17 as if it were a provision of Chapter 75A of the General Statutes.

SECTION 4. Violation of Section 1 of this act is a Class 3 misdemeanor.

SECTION 5. This act applies only to the Town of Holden Beach, the Town of Oak Island, and the surrounding area as described in this act.

SECTION 6. This act is effective when it becomes law and is enforceable after markers complying with Section 2 of this act are placed in the water.