GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

S SENATE DRS65407-LD-124 (5/12)

Short Title: Stream Cleanup Funds for Northeast N.C. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Jenkins.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE REMOVAL OF DEBRIS THAT WAS CAUSED BY HURRICANE ISABEL AND THAT IS BLOCKING STREAMS IN NORTHEASTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, debris resulting from Hurricane Isabel currently causes serious blockages in rivers, creeks, canals, and large drainage ditches in 14 northeastern North Carolina counties: Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell, and Washington Counties; and

Whereas, Hurricane Isabel Stream Assessment Reports performed in October 2003 and updated in February 2004 conclude that over 220 miles of streams located in these 14 counties are in need of emergency stream debris removal; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources the sum of three million three hundred seventy thousand three hundred two dollars (\$3,370,302) for the 2004-2005 fiscal year to be used for Hurricane Isabel emergency stream cleanup, the removal of debris that is blocking streams and other drainage systems in the following 14 northeastern North Carolina counties: Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell, and Washington Counties.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2004.