

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2005**

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**HOUSE DRH70329-LD-121 (4/5)**

Short Title: County Control of Noxious Weeds.

(Public)

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Sponsors: Representative L. Allen.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO GRANT COUNTIES THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE SPECIAL  
3 ASSESSMENTS FOR NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL PROJECTS IN RIVERS  
4 AND LAKES AND TO GRANT CERTAIN COUNTIES THE AUTHORITY TO  
5 DEFINE NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL SERVICE DISTRICTS.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 153A-185(3) reads as rewritten:

8 "(3) Acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, extending, renovating,  
9 enlarging, maintaining, operating, or otherwise building or improving

10 a. Beach erosion control or flood and hurricane protection works;

11 and

12 b. Watershed improvement projects, drainage projects and water  
13 resources development projects (as those projects are defined in  
14 ~~G.S. 153A-301~~; G.S. 153A-301); and

15 c. Noxious weed control projects in rivers, lakes, and tributaries of  
16 a river or lake."

17 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 153A-301 is amended by adding a new subsection to

18 read:

19 "(e) The Board of Commissioners of a county that adjoins or contains a lake,  
20 river, or tributary of a river or lake that has an identified noxious weed problem may  
21 define any number of noxious weed control service districts composed of property that  
22 are contiguous to the water or direct access to the water through a shared, certified  
23 access site to the water."

24 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.