## **GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

## **SESSION 1993**

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SENATE BILL 1005

Short Title: Cold-Water Aquaculture Funds.

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Sponsors: Senator Carpenter.

Referred to: Appropriations.

## April 29, 1993

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR RESEARCH AND EXTENSION
  3 PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT COLD-WATER AQUACULTURE
  4 PRODUCTION IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.
- 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of 6 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of sixty-seven thousand five 7 hundred dollars (\$67,500) for the 1993-94 fiscal year to support research and extension 8 programs to benefit the cold-water aquaculture industry of the State. 9 The initial appropriation will establish a program to coordinate the production of trout with the 10 timing, processing capacities, and flesh quality characteristics needed by trout 11 processors in North Carolina, and to assist growers in obtaining commitments from 12 processors for the purchase of the fish. 13

14 Sec. 2. The focus of the coordination efforts will begin on trout farms in 15 Graham County and surrounding areas. With assistance from the North Carolina 16 Cooperative Extension Service, the project will survey trout producers to establish a 17 current inventory of trout on the farms and to determine the production capacity of the 18 farms. Based upon the ability of the processors to market the fish, the project will 19 establish production schedules for trout producers which coincide with the scheduled 20 purchases by processors.

Sec. 3. The North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service will establish demonstration projects at three facilities in Graham County for the purpose of demonstrating appropriate waste management and methods of reducing the costs of trout production. With trout producers' cooperation, these projects will focus upon

- 1 production of additional plant and animal crops using waste materials from trout
- 2 production and techniques for improving feed conversion efficiency, production3 forecasting, and farm record keeping.
- 4 Sec. 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 1993.