

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1973 SESSION

CHAPTER 538
HOUSE BILL 519

AN ACT AUTHORIZING COUNTIES TO REGULATE ACTIVITIES IN THE
ATLANTIC OCEAN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. General Statute 153-9 is hereby amended by renumbering subdivision "(55)" to "(55a)" and adding a new subdivision "(55b)" as follows:

"(55b) To adopt ordinances to regulate swimming, surfing and littering. – To adopt ordinances to regulate and control swimming, surfing and littering in the Atlantic Ocean adjacent to that portion of the county lying outside the extraterritorial jurisdiction of an incorporated city; provided, however, such ordinances shall not conflict in any way with the law of this State or the United States; and further provided nothing contained herein shall be construed to permit any county to prohibit altogether swimming and surfing or to make these activities unlawful."

Sec. 2. This act shall apply only to the counties of Brunswick, Carteret, Currituck, Dare, Hyde, New Hanover, Onslow and Pender.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective upon its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 17th day of May, 1973.