

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 729
HOUSE BILL 325

AN ACT TO AMEND G.S. 14-162 TO DELETE ANY REFERENCE TO REMOVAL OF PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM ANY BOAT OR LANDING AND TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR THE TRESPASS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-162 as the same appears in Volume 1B of the General Statutes is hereby rewritten to read as follows:

"§ 14-162. **Removing boats.** — If any person shall loose, unmoor, or turn adrift from any landing or other place wherever the same shall be, any boat, canoe, or other marine vessel, or if any person shall direct the same to be done without the consent of the owner, or the person having the lawful custody or possession of such vessel, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00), imprisonment for not more than six months or both. The owner may also have his action for such injury. The penalties aforesaid shall not extend to any person who shall press any such property by public authority."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 24th day of June, 1977.