

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 737
HOUSE BILL 1389

AN ACT TO CONTROL NOISE POLLUTION FROM SPEEDBOATS WITH ENGINES
CAPABLE OF PRODUCING IN EXCESS OF 4000 RPM'S.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 1 of Chapter 75A of the General Statutes is hereby amended by adding a new statute to read as follows:

"§ 75A-9.1. Every internal combustion engine with an open-air exhaust which is used on any motorboat and which has a capacity of operating at more than 4000 revolutions per minute shall have effective muffling equipment installed on each exhaust manifold stack except for motorboats competing in a regatta or boat race approved as provided in G.S. 75A-14, and for such motorboats while on trial runs, during a period not to exceed 48 hours immediately preceding such regatta or race and for such motorboats while competing in official trials for speed records during a period not to exceed 48 hours immediately following such regatta or race. This act shall not apply to licensed commercial fishing boats."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective on January 1, 1978.

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