

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2009**

**SESSION LAW 2010-6
HOUSE BILL 1251**

AN ACT DESIGNATING THE COLONIAL SPANISH MUSTANG AS THE OFFICIAL
HORSE OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, the wild horses living along the Outer Banks of North Carolina are considered to be descendants of the horses brought to the Americas by Spanish explorers and colonists beginning in the 16th century; and

Whereas, these horses are known as Colonial Spanish Mustangs; and

Whereas, these Colonial Spanish Mustangs have played a significant role in the history and culture of North Carolina's coastal area for hundreds of years; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Chapter 145 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 145-31. State horse.

The Colonial Spanish Mustang is adopted as the official horse of the State of North Carolina."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 3rd day of June, 2010.

s/ Walter H. Dalton
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
Governor

Approved 4:48 p.m. this 7th day of June, 2010

