

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003**

H

2

**HOUSE BILL 655
Committee Substitute Favorable 4/9/03**

Short Title: Pembroke Creek No-Wake Zone.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 25, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NO-WAKE ZONE ON A PORTION OF PEMBROKE
2 CREEK IN CHOWAN COUNTY.

3
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** It is unlawful to operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed
6 on the waters of Pembroke Creek from the Highway 17 Business bridge upstream to the
7 northern entrance of the canal creating Dillard's Island in Chowan County. No-wake
8 speed is idle speed or a slow speed creating no appreciable wake.

9 **SECTION 2.** With regard to marking the no-wake speed zone established in
10 Section 1 of this act, Chowan County or its designee may place and maintain markers in
11 accordance with the Uniform Waterway Marking System and any supplementary
12 standards for that system adopted by the Wildlife Resources Commission. All markers
13 of the no-wake speed zone shall be buoys or floating signs placed in the water or signs
14 placed on pilings and shall be sufficient in number and size so as to give adequate
15 warning of the no-wake speed zone to vessels approaching from various directions.

16 **SECTION 3.** This act is enforceable under G.S. 75A-17 as if it were a
17 provision of Chapter 75A of the General Statutes.

18 **SECTION 4.** Violation of this act is a Class 3 misdemeanor.

19 **SECTION 5.** This act applies only to Chowan County.

20 **SECTION 6.** This act is effective when it becomes law and is enforceable
21 after markers complying with Section 2 of this act are placed in the water.