

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2007**

**HOUSE BILL 1017  
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL TO TAKE MENHADEN OR ATLANTIC  
THREAD HERRING WITH A PURSE SEINE NET WITHIN THREE NAUTICAL  
MILES OF THE SHORELINE OF BRUNSWICK COUNTY FROM MAY 1  
THROUGH OCTOBER 31 OF EACH YEAR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.(a)** It is unlawful to take menhaden or Atlantic thread herring by the use of a purse seine from May 1 through October 31 of each year within three nautical miles of the Atlantic Ocean shoreline in that area east of a line beginning at a point onshore at the border between North Carolina and South Carolina at 33° 51.0667'N – 78° 32.5833'W; running southeasterly three nautical miles to a point offshore at 33° 48.8342'N – 78° 29.8494'W; and south of a line beginning at a point onshore at the border between Brunswick County and New Hanover County at 33° 55.8833'N – 77° 56.2000'W; then running southeasterly three nautical miles to a point offshore at 33° 54.5735'N – 77° 52.7184'W.

**SECTION 1.(b)** Violation of subsection (a) of this section is a Class A1 misdemeanor.

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective 30 days after it becomes law and applies to offenses committed on or after the date it becomes effective.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.

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Marc Basnight  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

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Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives