



HOUSE BILL 671: Change State Mammal to Black Bear.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 671 would adopt the black bear as the official State mammal of the State of North Carolina, replacing the gray squirrel as the current official State mammal.*

CURRENT LAW: State symbols and other official adoptions of the State are found in Chapter 145 of the General Statutes. The current official State mammal of North Carolina is the gray squirrel.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 671 would adopt the black bear (*Ursus americanus*) as the official State mammal of the State of the North Carolina.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would be effective when it becomes law.

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