GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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S SENATE BILL 1194*

Short Title: Employees on Shellfish Leases/Franchises. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Albertson, Perdue, and Shaw.

Referred to: Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources.

May 15, 1996

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON SEAFOOD AND AQUACULTURE TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES ON SHELLFISH LEASES AND FRANCHISES TO WORK WITHOUT POSSESSING AN INDIVIDUAL SHELLFISH LICENSE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. G.S. 113-154(c1) reads as rewritten:

"(c1) A shellfish leaseholder under G.S. 113-202, or a water column leaseholder under G.S. 113-202.1 or G.S. 113-202.2 G.S. 113-202.2, or a franchise holder under G.S. 113-206 who purchases an individual shellfish license under this section, may utilize up to two additional persons to take shellfish from the leaseholder's lease without purchasing additional individual shellfish licenses. The leaseholder shall be on the premises supervising the person or persons, and the person or persons shall be restricted to taking shellfish only from the leaseholder's lease employ persons who do not possess individual shellfish licenses, provided that the employees have proof of employment on hand, if requested for inspection by a Marine Fisheries officer to verify lawful activities on the lease."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.