

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2003**

**SESSION LAW 2003-21  
HOUSE BILL 581**

**AN ACT TO ALLOW ELECTROFISHING FOR CATFISH IN COLUMBUS  
COUNTY.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person who holds a current and valid special device license, as defined in G.S. 113-272.2, may use a hand-operated device which generates an electric current for taking catfish.

**SECTION 2.** This act applies only to those portions of the Waccamaw River located in Columbus County and to those portions of the Lumber River located in Columbus County.

**SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2003.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2003.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
President of the Senate

s/ Richard T. Morgan  
Speaker of the House of Representatives