

HOUSE BILL 169:

Loggerhead Turtle/State Saltwater Reptile.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee: House State and Local Government. If **Date**: March 13, 2019

favorable, re-refer to Environment. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and

Operations of the House

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 169 would adopt the loggerhead sea turtle as the official saltwater reptile of the State of North Carolina.

CURRENT LAW: State symbols and other official adoptions of the State are found in Chapter 145 of the General Statutes. Currently, North Carolina does not have an official saltwater reptile.

BILL ANALYSIS: This act would amend Chapter 145 of the General Statutes by adding a new section to establish the loggerhead sea turtle as the official saltwater reptile of the State of North Carolina.

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

