

## HOUSE BILL 530: Official NC Dogwood Festival.

## 2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee: House State and Local Government. If Date: May 7, 2019

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Operations of the House

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 530 would adopt the Fayetteville Dogwood Festival as the official dogwood festival of the State of North Carolina. The bill would become effective when it becomes law.

**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 dogwood festival. Other festivals, however, have been adopted by the State as official designations, including the following:

- ➤ The Ayden Collard Festival as the official collard festival. G.S. 145-27.
- The Sneads Ferry Shrimp Festival as the official shrimp festival. G.S. 145-37.
- The Swansboro Mullet Festival as the official mullet festival. G.S. 145-40.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 530 would amend Chapter 145 of the General Statutes by adding a new section to establish the Fayetteville Dogwood Festival as the official dogwood festival of the State of North Carolina.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act would become effective when the bill becomes law.

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