



# HOUSE BILL 598: Bottlenose Dolphin as State Marine Mammal.

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 598 would adopt the bottlenose dolphin as the official marine mammal 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 marine mammal.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** This act would amend Chapter 145 of the General Statutes by adding a new section to establish the bottlenose dolphin as the official marine mammal of the State of North Carolina.

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

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