GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1989

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HOUSE BILL 1972*

Short Title: Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge Commn. (Public
Sponsors: Representative Chapin.
Referred to: Basic Resources.
May 11, 1989
A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO CREATE THE LAKE MATTAMUSKEET LODGE COMMISSION.
The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
Section 1. Chapter 106 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
Article to read:
"ARTICLE 63.
"LAKE MATTAMUSKEET LODGE COMMISSION.
"§ 106-755. Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge Commission-creation, powers, and duties.
(a) There is created the Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge Commission in the
Department of Agriculture with the power and duty to adopt, amend, and rescind rules
concerning the restoration, maintenance, and management of Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge
in Hyde County. The Mattamuskeet Lodge may be renovated and converted to use for
the following purposes as deemed convenient and appropriate by the Commission: (i) office space for federal, regional, State, and local agencies; (ii) a museum; (iii) a
research and educational facility; (iv) a conference and retreat center with dining and
overnight accommodations; (v) an aquaculture or other federal, State, or local program.
(b) If the United States offers to give the Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge property to
the State of North Carolina, the Department of Administration shall acquire the property
on such terms as are deemed proper by the Council of State. If acquired, the Lake
Mattamuskeet Lodge property shall be allocated to the Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge
Commission and may not be reallocated without the prior approval of the General
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"§ 106-756. Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge Commission-members; selection; quorum;

compensation.

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The Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge Commission of the Department of Agriculture shall consist of 14 members, two appointed by the Governor, two appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor, two appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, two appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and four appointed by the Board of County Commissioners of Hyde County. The Commissioner of Agriculture or his designee and the Chairman of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners or his designee shall serve as ex offico members. Members shall be appointed for a term of two years and until their successors are appointed and qualify. A vacancy that occurs in the membership of the Commission shall be filled in the same manner as the initial appointment. The Chairman of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners or his designee shall serve as Chairman of the Lake Mattamuskeet Lodge Commission.

A majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

The members of the Commission shall serve without pay and without expense allowance.

The Commission shall meet at least twice annually upon the call of the Chairman, the Commissioner of Agriculture, or any five members of the Commission. Professional and clerical staff shall be provided to the Commission by the Department of Agriculture."

Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Agriculture the sum of \$500,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year to implement this act.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.