

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 1696

Short Title: Corolla Lighthouse Employee Salaries. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Weinstein.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

May 18, 2006

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO
3 INCREASE THE SALARY OF EMPLOYEES STATIONED AT THE COROLLA
4 LIGHTHOUSE.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Wildlife Resources Commission is authorized to, and
7 shall, provide from funds deposited in the Wildlife Resources Fund an increase in
8 annual salary of fifteen percent (15%) to each employee stationed at the Corolla
9 Lighthouse Wildlife Education Center in addition to any other increase authorized by
10 the Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2006. This
11 increase is justified based upon the remote location of the Center, the scarcity of
12 affordable housing within commuting distance of the Center, and the low salaries of
13 employees stationed there in relation to high housing costs. This increase shall be
14 awarded to each employee regardless of his/her position within the salary range for the
15 job classification occupied. Each newly hired or assigned employee of the Center shall
16 be eligible for this increase.

17 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2006.