

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 818**

Short Title: FerryMon Funds.

(Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Thomas.

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Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

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March 23, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
3 ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONTINUE THE  
4 FERRYMON PROGRAM.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6       **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the  
7 Department of Environment and Natural Resources the sum of three hundred thousand  
8 dollars (\$300,000) for the 2005-2006 fiscal year and the sum of three hundred thousand  
9 dollars (\$300,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to continue the FerryMon program.  
10 The FerryMon program is an existing program between the Department of Environment  
11 and Natural Resources and the Department of Transportation, Ferry Division, that  
12 provides a unique, long-term, and cost-effective observing system to evaluate status and  
13 trends in water quality in the Albemarle-Pamlico Estuarine System. FerryMon obtains  
14 data on a real-time basis using a fleet of North Carolina Department of Transportation  
15 ferries as monitoring platforms.

16       **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.