

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 382

Short Title: Adopt Strawberry as State Fruit. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Russell, Hill; Coates, Hilton, and Underhill.

Referred to: State Government.

March 1, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT ADOPTING THE STRAWBERRY AS THE OFFICIAL FRUIT OF NORTH
2 CAROLINA.
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4 Whereas, strawberries are a good source of vitamins A, C, and B6 as well as a
5 number of life-sustaining minerals; and

6 Whereas, there are over 1,600 acres of strawberries grown in North Carolina;
7 and

8 Whereas, in 1999, strawberry growers across the State produced 17,600,000
9 pounds of strawberries, yielding \$14,080,000 in revenues; and

10 Whereas, the State of North Carolina does not have an official fruit; Now,
11 therefore,

12 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

13 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 145 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a
14 new section to read:

15 "**§ 145-18. State fruit.**

16 The strawberry is adopted as the official fruit of the State of North Carolina."

17 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.