

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 345

Short Title: Adopt State Nickname. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator D. Davis (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 25, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ADOPT "THE OLD NORTH STATE" AS THE OFFICIAL NICKNAME OF THE
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, in 1710, the Carolina colony was divided into two colonies, North Carolina
and South Carolina; and

Whereas, since that time North Carolina has been referred to as "The Old North
State"; and

Whereas, both the official song and toast of North Carolina are known as "The Old
North State"; and

Whereas, "The Old North State" should be adopted as the official nickname of North
Carolina; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Chapter 149 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
section to read:

"§ 149-3. State nickname.

"The Old North State" shall be the official nickname of the State of North Carolina."

SECTION 2. The title of Chapter 149 of the General Statutes reads as rewritten:

"State Song and Toast. Song, Toast, and Nickname."

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

