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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 2 AN ACT TO ADOPT THE GREEN GARDEN SPIDER AS THE STATE SPIDER.
 3 Whereas, green garden spiders, also know as orb weavers, are common to
 4 the North American Continent and the State of North Carolina; and
 5 Whereas, green garden spiders construct characteristic circular webs
 6 similar to the spokes of a bicycle wheel; and
 7 Whereas, green garden spiders build some of the most beautiful and
 8 complicated webs of all spiders; and
 9 Whereas, green garden spiders often build webs in between vegetation;
 10 and
 11 Whereas, green garden spiders are beneficial because they feed on insects;
 12 Now, therefore,
 13 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
 14 Section 1. Chapter 145 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a
 15 new section to read:
 16 "**§ 145-18. State spider.**
 17 The green garden spider is adopted as the official spider of the State of North
 18 Carolina."
 19 Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

Whereas North Carolina needs yet another "state thing"; And whereas the shad boat and the Plott hound and the honey bee and the eastern box turtle are clearly not enough "state things"; And whereas we can't think of anything else that hasn't already been named a "state thing"; Therefore be it resolved that the green garden spider may be just the thing to be the next "state thing." And another thing. The Center is in need of memorable memos, whether on state things or anything else. So send us your candidates. As always, anonymity guaranteed. In other words, nobody has to know a thing.