

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1973 SESSION

CHAPTER 259
HOUSE BILL 685

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE RUNNING AND CHASING OF DEER WITH DOGS
BETWEEN MARCH 1 AND JUNE 30 IN DARE COUNTY.

Whereas, the Wildlife Resources Commission indicates that the peak of the fawn drop in Eastern North Carolina is from March 1 through June 30 and that does and fawns are highly vulnerable during this period; and

Whereas, one of the primary causes for the decrease in the deer population in eastern North Carolina is the unnecessary killing of doe deer by dogs when the deer are heavy with fawn and unable to escape the dogs; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, by or with the use of dogs, to run or chase deer between March 1 and June 30.

Sec. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to allow dogs to run or chase deer between March 1 and June 30.

Sec. 3. Violation of this act shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment not to exceed 30 days, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Sec. 4. This act shall apply to Dare County.

Sec. 5. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 24th day of April, 1973.