

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 447  
SENATE BILL 377

AN ACT TO REGULATE POSSESSION AND USE OF FIREARMS ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS IN SCOTLAND COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** No person shall carry or possess a loaded shotgun or rifle within the right-of-way of any public road or highway which is a part of the primary or secondary highway system of the State of North Carolina.

**Sec. 2.** It shall be unlawful for any person to shoot or discharge any type of firearm from, onto, or across the right-of-way of any road or highway described in Section 1 of this act.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall not apply to any person exempted from G.S. 14-269 while in the discharge of his or her official duties, or to the owner or lessee of any land abutting upon a paved or unpaved secondary road on that portion of such road which adjoins such land, or to any person who has in his possession valid, written permission from such owner or lessee to hunt on such abutting land during the hunting season.

**Sec. 4.** All peace officers of counties and municipalities, within the limits of their respective territorial jurisdiction, and of the State including enforcement officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, are empowered to enforce the provisions of this act.

**Sec. 5.** A person violating any provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor which shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00), imprisonment not to exceed 30 days, or both.

**Sec. 6.** This act shall apply only to Scotland County.

**Sec. 7.** This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 27th day of May, 1977.