

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 705
HOUSE BILL 1370

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSERVATION OF BEAVER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. For the purpose of conserving existing and future populations of beaver and protection of brood stocks, the Wildlife Resources Commission is authorized and empowered by regulation to fix the seasons during which beaver may lawfully be taken, to limit the numbers of beaver that may be taken or possessed during the open seasons, and to establish the lawful manner of taking beaver during open season.

Sec. 2. The Wildlife Resources Commission may by regulation require the carcasses or pelts of beaver to be affixed with individual tags of appropriate material and may prohibit the possession, sale, or purchase of any beaver carcass or pelt which is not tagged in accordance with such regulations.

Sec. 3. The Wildlife Resources Commission may regulate the methods and the types of traps that may be lawfully used in taking beaver; provided that it shall be lawful to use the Connibear 330 trap only when set in the water.

Sec. 4. Any violation of this act or of the regulations of the Wildlife Resources Commission authorized by this act shall constitute a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) and not more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00), or by imprisonment for not longer than 30 days.

Sec. 5. This act shall become effective on July 1, 1977.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 23rd day of June, 1977.