

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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CHAPTER 919
SENATE BILL 660

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR-PROPELLED CONVEYANCE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-72.2, as the same appears in the 1975 Cumulative Supplement to Volume 1B of the General Statutes, is hereby rewritten to read as follows:

"§ 14-72.2. Unauthorized use of a motor-propelled conveyance. — (a) A person is guilty of an offense under this section if, without the express or implied consent of the owner or person in lawful possession, he takes or operates an aircraft, motorboat, motor vehicle, or other motor-propelled conveyance of another.

(b) Unauthorized use of an aircraft is a felony punishable by a fine, imprisonment not to exceed five years, or both, in the discretion of the court. All other unauthorized use of a motor-propelled conveyance is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine, imprisonment not to exceed two years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

(c) Unauthorized use of a motor-propelled conveyance shall be a lesser-included offense of unauthorized use of an aircraft.

(d) As used in this section, 'owner' means any person with a property interest in the motor-propelled conveyance."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 1st day of July, 1977.