

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2005**

**SESSION LAW 2005-285  
HOUSE BILL 1012**

AN ACT TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF STATE-RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBES TO HUNT, TRAP, OR FISH ON TRIBAL LANDS WITHOUT OBTAINING A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 113-276 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(11) The licensing provisions of this Article do not apply to a member of an Indian tribe recognized under Chapter 71A of the General Statutes for purposes of hunting, trapping, or fishing on tribal land. A person taking advantage of this exemption shall possess and produce proper identification confirming the person's membership in a State-recognized tribe upon request by a wildlife enforcement officer. For purposes of this section, "tribal land" means only real property owned by an Indian tribe recognized under Chapter 71A of the General Statutes."

**SECTION 2.** The Commission of Indian Affairs shall provide the Wildlife Resources Commission with a list of properties owned by State-recognized tribes in this State and update that list whenever additional land is acquired by a tribe. Each tribe shall post tribal land to give notice of its ownership by the tribe.

**SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2005.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
President of the Senate

s/ James B. Black  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley  
Governor

Approved 1:45 p.m. this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2005