AN ACT ADJUSTING THE DATES OF VALIDITY FOR LICENSES ISSUED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO ELIMINATE THE PENALTY FOR EARLY RENEWAL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 113-270.1B reads as rewritten:

"§ 113-270.1B. License required to hunt, fish, or trap.

(a) Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, no person may hunt, fish, trap, or participate in any other activity regulated by the Wildlife Resources Commission for which a license is provided by law without having first procured a current and valid license authorizing the activity.

(b) Except as indicated otherwise, all licenses are annual licenses valid from the date of issue for a period of 12 months from the effective date printed on the face of the license.

(c) As used in this section, the term "effective date" means the later of:

(1) The date of purchase of a new license.
(2) The first day after the expiration of a currently valid license of the same type held by the licensee."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2013.
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 21st day of June, 2012.

s/ Walter H. Dalton
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
Governor

Approved 4:35 p.m. this 26th day of June, 2012