

**§ 77-89.7. Filing and publication of joint resolutions.**

(a) A copy of the joint resolution creating the Commission and of any joint resolution amending or repealing the joint resolution creating the Commission shall be filed with the Executive Director of the Wildlife Resources Commission. When the Executive Director receives resolutions that are in substance identical from all participating local governments, the Executive Director shall within ten days so certify and distribute a certified single resolution text to the following:

- (1) The Secretary of State.
- (2) The clerk to the board of each of the participating local governments.
- (3) The clerk of superior court of each of the four counties.
- (4) The Secretary of the Department of Commerce.
- (5) The Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality.
- (6) A news outlet serving a general audience throughout the four counties.

Upon request, the Executive Director shall also send a certified single copy of any and all applicable joint resolutions to the chair of the Commission.

(b) Unless a joint resolution specifies a later date, it takes effect when the Executive Director's certified text has been submitted to the Secretary of State for filing. Certifications of the Executive Director under the seal of the Commission as to the text or amended text of any joint resolution and of the date of submission to the Secretary of State are admissible in evidence in any court. Certifications by any clerk of superior court of the text of any certified resolution filed with the clerk by the Executive Director are also admissible in evidence, and the Executive Director's submission of the resolution for filing to the clerk constitutes prima facie evidence that the resolution was on the date of submission also submitted for filing with the Secretary of State. Except for the certificate of a clerk as to receipt and date of submission, no evidence shall be admitted in court concerning the submission of the certified text of any resolution by the Executive Director to any person other than the Secretary of State.

(c) Each participating local government shall incorporate a copy of the text of every joint resolution in its local code of ordinances, as maintained in accordance with G.S. 153A-49 or G.S. 160A-77. (1969, c. 1089, s. 7; 2025-67, s. 5.1(a)-(c).)