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HOUSE BILL 898
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Short Title: Alamance/Rockingham Hunting.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 27, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT HUNTING FROM ROADS AND TO REGULATE
2 HUNTING AND FISHING ON PRIVATE LANDS IN ALAMANCE AND
3 ROCKINGHAM COUNTIES.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill any wild animal or wild bird, or
7 to attempt to hunt, take, or kill any wild animal or wild bird on, from, or across the
8 right-of-way of any public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare in Alamance or
9 Rockingham Counties.

10 Sec. 2. It is unlawful to hunt with, or possess a firearm or bow on another's
11 land, or to fish on another's land, without the written, dated permission of the owner or
12 lessee of land, unless the land has been leased for hunting. The written permission must
13 have been obtained within the year prior to the date of entry onto the land, and must be
14 carried on the person; if permission is given to a group of hunters, it is sufficient that the
15 organizer of the hunt or his designee have a copy of the written permission. The
16 granting of permission to hunt on land pursuant to this section shall not subject the
17 owner or lessee to increased liability.

18 Sec. 3. The immediate family of the owner or lessee of land is exempt from
19 the provisions of this act, unless the owner or lessee has notified them by certified mail
20 that they do not have permission to hunt on the land. For purposes of this act,
21 "immediate family" shall include the spouse of the owner or lessee, and the children,
22 grandchildren, parents, grandparents, and siblings of the owner or lessee or the spouse
23 of the owner or lessee.

1 Sec. 4. Violation of this act is a misdemeanor, punishable for a first
2 conviction by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or by imprisonment
3 not to exceed 30 days, and punishable for a subsequent conviction within three years by
4 a fine of not less than three hundred dollars (\$300.00), by imprisonment not to exceed
5 90 days, or by both.

6 Sec. 5. This act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife
7 Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other peace officers with
8 general subject matter jurisdiction.

9 Sec. 6. Chapter 206 of the 1971 Session Laws is repealed. Prosecutions for
10 violations of Chapter 206 of the 1971 Session Laws occurring before October 1, 1989,
11 are not abated or affected by this act, and Chapter 206 of the 1971 Session Laws
12 remains applicable to those prosecutions.

13 Sec. 7. This act applies only to Alamance and Rockingham Counties.

14 Sec. 8. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989.