

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1989 SESSION

CHAPTER 651
HOUSE BILL 898

AN ACT AUTHORIZING ALAMANCE AND ROCKINGHAM COUNTIES TO
REGULATE TRESPASSING TO HUNT OR FISH ON PRIVATE LANDS BY
LOCAL ORDINANCE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. A county may adopt ordinances to regulate the entering of private lands in that county to hunt or fish, or with the intent to hunt or fish. These ordinances may provide for the written permission of the owner or lessee of land before entering the land to hunt or fish or with the intent to hunt or fish. The act of granting written permission pursuant to such an ordinance shall not, of itself, subject the owner or lessee to the increased duty owed to an invitee or licensee under principles of the common law. It is unlawful for any person to hunt or fish on private land or to enter private land with the intent to hunt or fish in violation of an ordinance adopted pursuant to this act, and such an ordinance shall be enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other peace officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.

Sec. 2. This act applies only to Alamance and Rockingham Counties.

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15th day of July, 1989.