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| Short Title: | Wildlife Protectors to Enforce Criminal Laws. | (Public) |
| Sponsors: | Senator Snow. | |
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF WILDLIFE PROTECTORS TO ENFORCE CRIMINAL LAWS NOT OTHERWISE WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTION WHILE ON DUTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 113-136(d1)(1) reads as rewritten:

"(d1) In addition to law enforcement authority granted elsewhere, a protector has the authority to enforce criminal laws under the following circumstances:

(1) When the protector has probable cause to believe that a person committed a criminal offense in his presence and at the time of the violation the protector is <u>on duty or</u> engaged in the enforcement of laws otherwise within his jurisdiction; or

…."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2007.