

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**SESSION 1989**

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SENATE BILL 590

Short Title: Graham/Swain Lake Fishing.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Senators Carpenter and Hardin.

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Referred to: Marine Resources & Wildlife.

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March 22, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF GILL NETTING, DYNAMITE, AND  
2 SPECIAL FISHING DEVICES IN THE TAKING OF FISH ON LAKE  
3 SANTEETLAH, FONTANA LAKE, CHEOAH LAKE, AND CALDERWOOD  
4 LAKE IN GRAHAM AND SWAIN COUNTIES.  
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. It is unlawful to use gill netting, dynamite or any other explosive  
8 device, or any licensed special fishing devices in the taking of fish or other water  
9 creatures on Lake Santeetlah in Graham County, Fontana Lake in Graham and Swain  
10 Counties, Cheoah Lake in Graham and Swain Counties, or Calderwood Lake in Graham  
11 and Swain Counties.

12 Sec. 2. Violation of this act is a misdemeanor punishable for a first  
13 conviction by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and the replacement  
14 cost of the fish or other water creatures, or by imprisonment not to exceed three months,  
15 or both, and punishable for a second or subsequent conviction by a fine not to exceed  
16 five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and the replacement cost of the fish or other water  
17 creatures, and confiscation of any boat or other equipment used in conjunction with the  
18 prohibited activity, or by imprisonment not to exceed one year, or both.

19 Sec. 3. This act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife  
20 Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other peace officers with  
21 general subject matter jurisdiction.

22 Sec. 4. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989.