## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1993 SESSION

## CHAPTER 632 HOUSE BILL 1959

## AN ACT TO PROHIBIT HUNTING WITH FIREARMS FROM PUBLIC ROADS IN CABARRUS AND PASQUOTANK COUNTIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill with the use of firearms, or to attempt to hunt, take, or kill with the use of firearms, any bird or game animal, or to discharge a firearm from, on, or across the right-of-way of any numbered highway maintained by the State of North Carolina.

- Sec. 2. It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill any bird or game animal from or on the right-of-way of any public road or highway, or to discharge a firearm from or on the right-of-way of a public road or highway, without first securing the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land which abuts the public road or highway. If written permission is secured in compliance with this section, any vehicle which is being used to hunt or to discharge a weapon must be completely off the traveled surface of a paved road or highway. It is unlawful under any circumstances to hunt, take, or kill a bird or game animal or to discharge a firearm from, on, or across the traveled surface of a public road or highway.
- Sec. 3. It is unlawful for any person to have in his possession a loaded shotgun or centerfire rifle while on the right-of-way of any public road or highway while outside the confines of the passenger area of a vehicle without the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land which abuts the public road or highway. It is unlawful for any person to have in his possession a loaded shotgun or centerfire rifle while on the traveled surface of any public road or highway when outside the confines of the passenger area of a vehicle.
  - Sec.4. Violation of this act is a Class 3 misdemeanor.
- Sec. 5. This act is enforceable by officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by peace officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.
- Sec. 6. Section 1 of this act applies only to Cabarrus County. Sections 2 and 3 of this act apply only to Pasquotank County.
- Sec. 7. This act becomes effective October 1, 1994, and applies to offenses occurring on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 1st day of July, 1994.

Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives