

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**SESSION 1999**

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**HOUSE BILL 531\***

Short Title: Lee Hunting Regulation.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Representative Cox.

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Referred to: Wildlife Resources.

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March 23, 1999

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT TO REGULATE HUNTING IN LEE COUNTY.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. It is unlawful for any person to hunt with a firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, or other deadly weapon while on the land of another unless the person has, on his person, a paper writing dated and signed by the owner or lessee of the land granting the person permission to hunt with a firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, or other deadly weapon while on the land. If the land is owned by or leased to a club, the permission shall be signed by the club president or other chief executive. If the land is owned by or leased to a corporation, the permission shall be signed by the president or the vice-president of the corporation or the authorized designee of the president or vice-president. Permission shall not be valid for a period of more than one year, but may be valid for any shorter period stated in the permission. The written permission shall be displayed upon request to any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce this section.

Section 2. It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill with a firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, or other deadly weapon or to attempt to hunt, take, or kill with any such weapon any wild animal or wild bird on, from, or across the right-of-way of any public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.

Section 3. It is unlawful to discharge a firearm from, onto, across, or down the right-of-way of any public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.

1           Section 4. It is unlawful for any person to possess a loaded firearm on the land  
2 of another while under the influence of an impairing substance. For purposes of this  
3 section, a person is under the influence of an impairing substance when the person has  
4 consumed a sufficient quantity of any impairing substance to cause that person to lose  
5 normal control of the person's bodily or mental facilities, or both, to such an extent that  
6 there is an appreciable impairment of either or both of these facilities.

7           Section 5. Violation of the provisions of Sections 1 through 4 of this act is  
8 punishable as a Class 3 misdemeanor. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 15A-  
9 1340.23, violation of those sections is punishable by a fine of up to three hundred dollars  
10 (\$300.00).

11           Section 6. This act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife  
12 Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other peace officers with  
13 general subject matter jurisdiction.

14           Section 7. This act applies only to Lee County.

15           Section 8. This act becomes effective October 1, 1999.