GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA **SESSION 2003**

HOUSE BILL 1662 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM FROM THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF PUBLIC ROADS IN CHEROKEE AND CLAY COUNTIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. It is unlawful to take or kill any wild animal or wild bird with the use of a firearm or to discharge a firearm from, on, or across the right-of-way of a public road, street, highway, or other public vehicular area in Clay and Cherokee Counties.

SECTION 2. Violation of this act is a Class 3 misdemeanor.

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

SECTION 4. This act applies only to Cherokee and Clay Counties. **SECTION 5.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2004, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 7th day of July, 2004.

> Beverly E. Perdue President of the Senate

James B. Black

Speaker of the House of Representatives