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HOUSE BILL 97

Short Title: Active Duty Hunting/Fishing License Exemption. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Killian, Sager, McElraft, Guice (Primary Sponsors);
K. Alexander, Avila, Barnhart, Blackwell, Blackwood, Blust, Cleveland,
Current, Dollar, Frye, Grady, Gulley, Harrison, Holloway, Howard, Hurley,
Justice, Justus, Lewis, Lucas, Martin, McCormick, McGee, Mills, Neumann,
Randleman, Stevens, Tarleton, Tillis, and Wiley.

Referred to: Wildlife Resources, if favorable, Finance.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE WHO ARE SERVING ON
3 FULL-TIME ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OUTSIDE THIS STATE IN THE ARMED
4 FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OR A RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE ARMED
5 FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES MAY HUNT OR FISH WHILE ON LEAVE IN
6 THIS STATE WITHOUT OBTAINING A LICENSE.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 113-276 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

9 "(12) A resident of this State who is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States
10 -serving outside the State, or who is serving on full-time active military duty outside the State in
11 a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States as defined in 10 U.S.C. 10101,
12 is exempt from the hunting and fishing license requirements of G.S. 113-270.1B,
13 G.S. 113-270.3(b)(1), G.S. 113-270.3(b)(3), G.S. 113-270.3(b)(5), G.S. 113-271, G.S. 113-272,
14 G.S. 113-272.2(c)(1), and the Coastal Recreational Fishing License requirements of
15 G.S. 113-174.2 while that person is on leave in this State for 30 days or less. In order to qualify
16 for the exemption provided under this subsection, the person shall have on his or her person at
17 all times during the hunting or fishing activity the person's military identification card and a
18 copy of the official document issued by the person's service unit confirming that the person is
19 on authorized leave from a duty station outside this State.

20 A person exempted from licensing requirements under this subsection is responsible for
21 complying with any reporting requirements prescribed by rule of the Wildlife Resources
22 Commission, complying with the hunter safety requirements of G.S. 113-270.1A, purchasing
23 any federal migratory waterfowl stamps as a result of waterfowl hunting activity, and
24 complying with any other requirements that the holder of a North Carolina license is subject
25 to."

26 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

