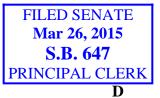
## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA **SESSION 2015**



## SENATE DRS15168-LL-121 (03/10)

	Short Title	e: A	Amend Trapping Law.	(Public)
	Sponsors:	S	enators Sanderson and B. Jackson (Primary Sponsors).	
	Referred to	o:		
1 2 3 4	The Gener	al As	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED MEND THE TRAPPING LAW RELATING TO CONIBEA sembly of North Carolina enacts: <b>TION 1.</b> G.S. 113-291.6 reads as rewritten:	R TYPE TRAPS.
5	"			
6	(d)		bear type traps that have an inside jaw spread or opening	
7	greater than seven and one-half inches and no larger than 26 inches in width and 12 inches in			
8	•		y be set in the water and in areas in which beaver and ott	er may be lawfully
9 10	trapped. Fo		purposes of this section:	a anahar sacurad in
10 11		(1)	A water-set trap is one totally covered by water with the water deep enough to drown the animal trapped quickly.	e anchor secured in
11		(2)	In areas of tidal waters, the mean high water is considered	d covering water
12		(2) (3)	In reservoir areas, covering water is the low water level p	-
14		$(\mathbf{J})$	preceding 24 hours.	ie vannig during the
15		(4)	Marshland, as defined in G.S. 113-229(n)(3), is not consid	dered dry land
16	<u>(d1)</u>		ket sets" are prohibited.	dered dry fund.
17	$\frac{d(d1)}{d(d2)}$		bear type traps set with bait and having an inside jaw spread	d or opening (width
18			er than five and one-half inches and no more than seven a	
19		-	ry land only under the following restrictions:	
20	•	(1)	Within an enclosure approved by the rules of the North	h Carolina Wildlife
21			Resources Commission subject to the following minimu	m requirements: no
22			openings on the enclosure may exceed 60 square inch	es, the trap trigger
23			shall be recessed at least eight inches from all openings,	and the top surface
24			of the enclosure entrance shall include an overhang su	<u>uch that the trigger</u>
25			recess distance and the overhang distance are no less	than 12 inches in
26			<u>combination.</u>	
27		<u>(2)</u>	In an elevated position of at least four feet above ground	
28	<u>(d3)</u>		bear type traps set without an enclosure as described in this	section and without
29	<u>bait may b</u>		on dry land only under the following restrictions:	
30		<u>(1)</u>	On public lands, (i) traps having an inside jaw spread of	
31			height) greater than five and one-half inches and no	
32			one-half inches must be set such that the top of the trap is	
33 24			inches above the ground or (ii) the bottom of the trap is	snall be elevated at
34 25		( <b>2</b> )	least five feet above the ground.	annod on anonin-
35 36		<u>(2)</u>	<u>On private lands, (i) traps may not have an inside jaw</u> (width or height) greater than six and one-half inches or	· · · ·
50			(widen of height) greater than six and one-han inches of	<u>(II) naps naving an</u>



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1	inside jaw spread or opening (width or height) no more than seven and				
2	one-half inches may be set in buildings and structures or as authorized by a				
3	depredation permit issued by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources				
4	Commission."				
5	<b>SECTION 2.</b> G.S. 113-270.5(a) reads as rewritten:				
6	"(a) Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, no one may take fur-bearing				
7	animals by trapping, or by any other authorized special method that preserves the pelt from				
8	injury, without first having procured a current and valid trapping license. All individuals				
9	licensed under this section after October 1, 2016, shall complete a trapper education course				
10	approved by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission. When the trapping license is				
11	required, it serves in lieu of a hunting license in the taking of fur-bearing animals. If fur-bearing				
12	animals are taken as game, at the times and by the hunting methods that may be authorized,				
13	hunting license requirements apply."				
14	<b>SECTION 3.</b> The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall adopt rules				
15	to require the reporting of domestic animals taken by trapping.				
16	SECTION 4. This act becomes effective December 1, 2015, and applies to				
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17 offenses committed on or after that date.