

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1963 SESSION

CHAPTER 170
HOUSE BILL 172

1 AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN PERSONS FROM FISHING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS
2 IN THE INLAND WATERS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

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6 **Section 1.** Chapter 113 of the General Statutes of North Carolina is amended by
7 adding a new Section as follows:

8 **§ 113-136.2. Exemption from special fishing license requirement.** (a) Special fishing
9 licenses for the use of special fishing devices as issued by the Wildlife Resources Commission
10 under its authority to regulate, prohibit, or restrict in time, place, character, or dimensions the
11 use of nets, appliances, apparatus, or means employed in taking or killing fish shall not be
12 required in the following instances:

13 (1) When a landing net meeting the requirements of subsection (b) is used to
14 take non-game fish in the inland fishing waters of North Carolina.

15 (2) When a landing net is used to assist in taking fish in the waters of North
16 Carolina when the initial and primary method of taking is by the use of hook
17 and line or rod and reel, provided, that license requirements applicable to the
18 use of any hook and line or rod and reel are met.

19 (b) A landing net as authorized in subsection (a)(1) shall have a handle not exceeding
20 eight feet in length and a hoop or frame to which the net is attached not exceeding sixty inches
21 along its outer perimeter. The license exemption as to use of landing nets in inland fishing
22 waters shall not be construed to apply to other special fishing devices the use of which is
23 regulated by the Wildlife Resources Commission.

24 **Sec. 2.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are
25 hereby repealed.

26 **Sec. 3.** This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

27 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 9th day of April,

28 1963.