

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1997

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HOUSE BILL 718

Short Title: Taking of Foxes and Raccoons.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Representative Hardy.

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Referred to: Ways and Means.

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April 1, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRAPPING OF FOXES AND RACCOONS IN  
2 HYDE AND BEAUFORT COUNTIES, AND TO ALLOW THE USE OF SNARES  
3 WHEN TRAPPING FUR-BEARING ANIMALS IN THOSE COUNTIES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, there is an open season  
6 for the trapping of foxes from the day after the close of gun deer season until February 28  
7 of each year.

8 Section 2. Section 1 of Chapter 630 of the 1995 Session Laws reads as  
9 rewritten:

10 "Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 113-291.2, there shall be no bag  
11 limits on the trapping of foxes or raccoons."

12 Section 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, connibear traps set  
13 during any trapping season established by the Wildlife Resources Commission and by the  
14 provisions of this act shall be visited every 72 hours and any animal caught in the trap  
15 removed.

16 Section 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it is lawful to transport,  
17 buy, sell, barter, trade, or otherwise transfer possession or ownership of the carcass or  
18 pelt of foxes taken during any trapping season established by the Wildlife Resources  
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1 Commission or by the provisions of this act without obtaining tags provided by the  
2 Wildlife Resources Commission.

3           Section 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, foxes and raccoons  
4 may be taken during any trapping season established by the Wildlife Resources  
5 Commission or by the provisions of this act with steel-jaw or leghold traps with trap  
6 chains of up to 18 inches in length.

7           Section 6. Notwithstanding G.S. 113-291.1(b)(2) or any other law, it is lawful  
8 to use snares when trapping fur-bearing animals during seasons for trapping fur-bearing  
9 animals as established by the Wildlife Resources Commission and by the provisions of  
10 this act.

11           Section 7. This act applies only to Beaufort and Hyde Counties.

12           Section 8. This act becomes effective October 1, 1997.