GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

HOUSE BILL 13 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT HUNTING FROM THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF PUBLIC ROADS IN TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY AND TO REQUIRE WRITTEN PERMISSION BEFORE HUNTING ON THE LAND OF ANOTHER IN TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill any wild animal or wild bird from, on, or across the right-of-way of a public road, street, highway, or other public vehicular area in Transylvania County. For purposes of this section, "right-of-way" refers to the road surface from shoulder to shoulder. This section does not apply to public vehicular areas located in the Pisgah, Nantahala, or Toxaway game lands outside of designated safety zones.

SECTION 2. It is unlawful to hunt on the land of another without having on one's person the written permission, dated within the last 12 months, of the landowner

or lessee, or the landowner's or lessee's designee.

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

SECTION 4. 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 5. This act applies only to Transylvania County.

SECTION 6. This act becomes effective October 1, 2003, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 2nd day of June, 2003.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

Richard T. Morgan

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