

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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CHAPTER 476  
HOUSE BILL 1110

AN ACT TO LICENSE THE PROPAGATION OF FURBEARERS AND FOXES IN  
CAPTIVITY AND THE SALE OF THE PELTS THEREOF FOR USE AS FUR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 113-273 is amended by inserting a new subsection (i) to read as follows:

"(i) Furbearer Propagation License. No person may engage in propagation in captivity or possess any species of furbearers for propagation for the purpose of selling the animals or their pelts for use as fur without first procuring a license under this subsection. The furbearer propagation license is issued by the Wildlife Resources Commission upon payment of a fee of twenty- five dollars (\$25.00). It authorizes the propagation or sale of the pelts or carcasses of the species of furbearing animals named therein, including bobcats, opossums and raccoons, or red and silver foxes (*Vulpes vulpes*), for use as fur. The Wildlife Resources Commission may by regulation prescribe the activities covered by the license, the manner of keeping and raising the animals and the manner of killing them prior to sale, in accordance with overall objectives of conservation of wildlife resources and humane treatment of wild animals raised in captivity. The Wildlife Resources Commission may require tagging of the pelts or carcasses of the animals prior to sale in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 113-276.1(5) and G.S. 113- 291.4(g). It is unlawful for any person licensed under this subsection to sell any pelt or carcass of any furbearing animal or fox to any other person who is not lawfully authorized to buy and possess the same, or to sell or deliver a live specimen of any such animal to any person who is not authorized to buy or receive and to hold the animal in captivity."

Sec. 2. G.S. 113-291.4(g) is amended by deleting the second sentence.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective January 1, 1986.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 26th day of June, 1985.