

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 302
HOUSE BILL 868

AN ACT TO REGULATE DEER HUNTING IN THE BLADEN LAKES STATE
FOREST.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. (a) It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill any bird or animal or to attempt to hunt, take, or kill any bird or animal on property adjacent to Bladen Lakes State Forest without the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land. It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill any bird or animal or to attempt to hunt, take, or kill any bird or animal on, from, or across the right-of-way of any public road adjacent to property adjacent to Bladen Lakes State Forest without the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land adjacent to the road. The written permission shall be dated, it shall be valid for a period of no longer than one year after issuance, and it shall be displayed upon request to any law enforcement officer with authority to enforce this act.

(b) This section is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other peace officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.

(c) Violation of this section is a misdemeanor punishable for a first conviction by a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or by imprisonment not to exceed 30 days, and punishable for a second or subsequent conviction within three years by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), by imprisonment not to exceed 90 days, or by both.

Sec. 2. The Wildlife Resources Commission shall establish and regulate areas within the Bladen Lakes State Forest for taking deer with dogs and for taking deer without the use of dogs. The Commission shall establish and regulate these areas so as to assure the owners and lessees of adjacent land that hunts originating on the State forest land will not violate the provisions of Section 1 of this act.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective October 1, 1987.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of June, 1987.