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HOUSE BILL 959  
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Short Title: Cockfighting/Increase Penalty.

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April 8, 1999

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR AND EXPAND THE CRIMINAL  
3 OFFENSE OF COCKFIGHTING.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 14-362 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 14-362. Cock fighting.**

7 (a) A person who instigates, promotes, conducts, is employed at, allows property  
8 under his ownership or control to be used for, participates as a spectator at, gambles on,  
9 or profits from an exhibition featuring the fighting of a cock is guilty of a ~~Class 2~~  
10 ~~misdemeanor.~~ Class 1 misdemeanor. A lease of property that is used or is intended to be  
11 used for an exhibition featuring the fighting of a cock is void, and a lessor who knows  
12 this use is made or is intended to be made of his property is under a duty to evict the  
13 lessee immediately."

14 Section 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 1999, and applies to  
15 offenses committed on or after that date.