GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 531* Committee Substitute Favorable 4/7/99

Short Title: Lee Hunting Regulation.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO REGULATE HUNTING IN LEE COUNTY.

3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 Section 1. It is unlawful for any person to hunt with a firearm, bow and arrow 5 or crossbow, or other deadly weapon while on the land of another unless the person is a spouse, child, or grandchild of the landowner or has on his person a paper writing dated 6 7 and signed by the owner or lessee of the land granting the person permission to hunt with a firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, or other deadly weapon while on the land. If the 8 land is owned by or leased to a club, the permission shall be signed by the club president 9 or other chief executive. If the land is owned by or leased to a corporation, the 10 permission shall be signed by the president or the vice-president of the corporation or the 11 authorized designee of the president or vice-president. Permission shall not be valid for a 12 period of more than one year, but may be valid for any shorter period stated in the 13 The written permission shall be displayed upon request to any law 14 permission. enforcement officer authorized to enforce this section. 15

Section 2. It is unlawful to hunt, take, or kill with a firearm, bow and arrow, 16 crossbow, or other deadly weapon or to attempt to hunt, take, or kill with any such 17 18 weapon any wild animal or wild bird on, from, or across the right-of-way of any public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare. 19

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1 Section 3. It is unlawful to discharge a firearm from, onto, across, or down the 2 right-of-way of any public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare. This section shall not 3 apply to law enforcement officers who discharge their firearms in the lawful discharge of 4 their duties.

5 Section 4. Violation of the provisions of Sections 1 through 3 of this act is 6 punishable as a Class 3 misdemeanor. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 15A-7 1340.23, violation of those sections is punishable by a fine of up to three hundred dollars 8 (\$300.00).

9 Section 5. This act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife 10 Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other peace officers with 11 general subject matter jurisdiction.

- 12 Section 6. This act applies only to Lee County.
- 13 Section 7. This act becomes effective October 1, 1999.