

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1411

Short Title: Guilford/Outlaw Dog Fights.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Cocklereece; and Wood.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

May 30, 1996

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT AN EXHIBITION FEATURING A DOG FIGHT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. A person who instigates, promotes, conducts, is employed at, provides a dog for, allows property under his ownership or control to be used for, or profits from an exhibition featuring the fighting or baiting of a dog is guilty of a Class I felony. A lease of property that is used or is intended to be used for an exhibition featuring the fighting or baiting of a dog is void, and a lessor who knows this use is made or is intended to be made of his property is under a duty to evict the lessee immediately.

Sec. 2. A person who owns, possesses, or trains a dog with the intent that the dog be used in an exhibition featuring the fighting or baiting of that dog is guilty of a Class I felony.

Sec. 3. A person who participates as a spectator at an exhibition featuring the fighting or baiting of a dog is guilty of a Class I felony.

Sec. 4. A person who commits an offense under Section 1 within three years after being convicted of an offense under this section is guilty of a Class I felony.

Sec. 5. This act applies only to Guilford County.

Sec. 6. This act becomes effective December 1, 1996, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.