

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1411
Committee Substitute Favorable 6/20/96

Short Title: Outlaw Dog Fights.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

May 30, 1996

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT AN EXHIBITION FEATURING A DOG FIGHT.

3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

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

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

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

17 Sec. 5. This act applies only to Brunswick, Cleveland, Duplin, Durham,
18 Gaston, Guilford, Jones, Lenoir, Onslow, Polk, Rutherford, Union, Wake, and Wayne
19 Counties.

1 Sec. 6. This act becomes effective January 1, 1997, and applies to offenses
2 committed on or after that date.