## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

SENATE BILL 473

Short Title: Stanly/No Hunting on Private Property.

(Local)

Sponsors: Senator Purcell.

Referred to: State & Local Government.

March 5, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT HUNTING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE LANDOWNER OR LESSEE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** It is unlawful to take wildlife or attempt to take wildlife on the land of another without having on one's person while hunting the written permission, signed and dated for the current hunting season, of the landowner or lessee, or the landowner's or lessee's designee. The written permission shall not be valid for more than one year and may be valid for a shorter period stated in the permission. The written permission shall be displayed upon request of any law enforcement officer of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other law enforcement officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.

**SECTION 2.** It is unlawful to take wildlife or attempt to take wildlife on the land of another while under the influence of an impairing substance. For purposes of this section, the term "impairing substance" includes alcohol, controlled substances under Chapter 90 of the General Statutes, any drug or psychoactive substance capable of impairing a person's physical or mental faculties, or any combination of those substances.

**SECTION 3.** Violation of this act is a Class 2 misdemeanor. Any person convicted of violating this act shall be ordered by the presiding judge to complete a hunter safety course under G.S. 113-270.1A.

**SECTION 4.** This act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by peace officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.

**SECTION 5.** This act applies only to Stanly County.

**SECTION 6.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2007, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

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