

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

**HOUSE BILL 898  
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OR TAKING OF GRASS CARP FROM THE GASTON OR ROANOKE RAPIDS RESERVOIRS OR FROM THE SECTION OF THE ROANOKE RIVER RUNNING BETWEEN THE RESERVOIRS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** It is unlawful for a person to possess grass carp, or to take grass carp by bow and arrow, from the Gaston or Roanoke Rapids reservoirs or from the section of the Roanoke River that runs between the Gaston and Roanoke Rapids reservoirs, unless the person possesses a special permit for that purpose issued by the Wildlife Resources Commission.

**SECTION 2.** Violation of this act is a Class 3 misdemeanor.

**SECTION 3.** 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 4.** This act applies only to Halifax, Northampton, and Warren Counties.

**SECTION 5.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2009, and applies to acts committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2009.

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Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

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Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

