

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

**SESSION LAW 2009-25  
HOUSE BILL 97**

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE WHO ARE SERVING ON FULL-TIME ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OUTSIDE THIS STATE IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OR A RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES MAY HUNT OR FISH WHILE ON LEAVE IN THIS STATE WITHOUT OBTAINING A LICENSE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 113-276 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(12) A resident of this State who is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States serving outside the State, or who is serving on full-time active military duty outside the State in a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States as defined in 10 U.S.C. 10101, is exempt from the hunting and fishing license requirements of G.S. 113-270.1B, G.S. 113-270.3(b)(1), G.S. 113-270.3(b)(3), G.S. 113-270.3(b)(5), G.S. 113-271, G.S. 113-272, G.S. 113-272.2(c)(1), and the Coastal Recreational Fishing License requirements of G.S. 113-174.2 while that person is on leave in this State for 30 days or less. In order to qualify for the exemption provided under this subsection, the person shall have on his or her person at all times during the hunting or fishing activity the person's military identification card and a copy of the official document issued by the person's service unit confirming that the person is on authorized leave from a duty station outside this State.

A person exempted from licensing requirements under this subsection is responsible for complying with any reporting requirements prescribed by rule of the Wildlife Resources Commission, complying with the hunter safety requirements of G.S. 113-270.1A, purchasing any federal migratory waterfowl stamps as a result of waterfowl hunting activity, and complying with any other requirements that the holder of a North Carolina license is subject to."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2009.

s/ Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
Governor

Approved 6:15 p.m. this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2009

