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HOUSE BILL 345

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Short Title: Perquimans Fox Trap./Northampton Shoot. Range.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 26, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SEASON FOR TAKING FOXES BY TRAPPING IN PERQUIMANS COUNTY AND TO ALLOW WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION SHOOTING RANGES IN NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.(a)** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, there is an open season for taking foxes by trapping during the trapping season set by the Wildlife Resources Commission each year, with no tagging requirements prior to or after sale.

**SECTION 1.(b)** No bag limit applies to foxes taken under this act.

**SECTION 1.(c)** This section applies only to Perquimans County.

**SECTION 1.(d)** This section becomes effective October 1, 2016.

**SECTION 2.(a)** Section 1 of Chapter 78 of the 1973 Session Laws, as amended by Chapter 548 of the 1979 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

**Section 1.** It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge (shoot) any rifle of a calibre larger than .22 for any purpose whatsoever, including but not limited to hunting or target practice, within Northampton County, without first securing the express written permission of the owner or lessee of the land on which such discharge is to occur. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful to discharge (shoot) any rifle as herein prescribed unless the person discharging (shooting) such rifle is positioned at least eight feet from the ground. This section shall not apply to shooting ranges managed by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission or to individuals properly permitted on lands owned or managed by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission.

**SECTION 2.(b)** This section is effective when it becomes law.

**SECTION 3.** Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes law.

