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**SENATE BILL 262*
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Short Title: Union/Prohibit Certain Hunting Acts. (Local)

Sponsors: Senator Johnson (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 18, 2019

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT HUNTING AND FISHING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT
3 WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE LANDOWNER OR LESSEE AND TO PROHIBIT
4 HUNTING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN
5 IMPAIRING SUBSTANCE IN UNION COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

15 **SECTION 2.** It is unlawful for a person to take wildlife or attempt to take wildlife
16 on the land of another while under the influence of an impairing substance or after having
17 consumed sufficient alcohol that the person has an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more. For
18 purposes of this section, the terms "impairing substance" and "under the influence of an impairing
19 substance" are defined as set forth in G.S. 20-4.01.

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

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

24 **SECTION 5.** This act applies only to Union County and Granville County.

25 **SECTION 6.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2019, and applies to offenses
26 committed on or after that date.

