

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1975 SESSION

CHAPTER 77
HOUSE BILL 237

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO ISSUE
CONSERVATION EMBLEMS IN RECOGNITION OF VOLUNTARY
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NONGAME AND ENDANGERED WILDLIFE.

Whereas, the Wildlife Resources Commission is funded primarily by fees received from the sale of licenses to hunt, trap and fish to persons whose particular concern is conservation of the game and furbearing species of wildlife; and

Whereas, there are many persons who do not hunt, trap or fish, but who wish to participate in programs administered by the Commission for the protection and preservation of nongame and endangered species of wildlife and who should receive appropriate recognition for such participation; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 24 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes of North Carolina is hereby amended by inserting a new Section 143-247.2 to read as follows:

"§ 143-247.2. **Contributions for nongame wildlife.** — The Wildlife Resources Commission is hereby authorized to issue and sell appropriate emblems by which to identify recipients thereof as contributors to a special wildlife conservation fund which shall be held and accounted for as a separate part of the Wildlife Resources Fund and which shall be made available to the Wildlife Resources Commission for conservation, protection, enhancement, preservation and perpetuation of nongame wildlife species and those species which may be endangered or threatened with extinction. The special wildlife conservation fund will be audited by the State Auditor. Emblems of different size, shape, type or design may be used to recognize contributions in different amounts, but no such emblem shall be issued for a contribution amounting in value to less than five dollars (\$5.00)."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective on the date of ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 25th day of March, 1975.