## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2011

## HOUSE BILL 755 RATIFIED BILL

## AN ACT TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO STUDY FOX AND COYOTE POPULATIONS AND REPORT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS ON MANAGEMENT METHODS AND CONTROLS TO THE 2012 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The Wildlife Resources Commission shall undertake a study of fox and coyote populations in the State and recommend management methods and controls designed to ensure statewide conservation of fox populations while managing adverse effects of coyote populations. In conducting the study, the Wildlife Resources Commission shall solicit input from interested stakeholders, including hunters, trappers, controlled hunting preserve operators, public health authorities, local governments, the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and private landowners. The Wildlife Resources Commission shall complete its study by April 1, 2012, and submit a report, including any proposed legislation, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Chairs of the House Committee on Agriculture, and the Chairs of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and Natural Resources. The Wildlife Resources Commission shall conduct the study within existing funds.

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011.

Walter H. Dalton President of the Senate

Thom Tillis Speaker of the House of Representatives

Beverly E. Perdue Governor

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