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SENATE BILL 76

Short Title: Permit Nighttime Hunting of Coyotes. (Local)

Sponsors: Senators Cook (Primary Sponsor); Britt, Brock, Pate, and Randleman.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

February 15, 2017

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REPEAL ITS  
REGULATION BANNING NIGHT HUNTING OF COYOTES IN CERTAIN COASTAL  
COUNTIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.(a)** Definitions. – "Night Hunting Rule" means subsection (b) of 15A  
NCAC 10B .0219 (Coyote) for purposes of this section and its implementation.

**SECTION 1.(b)** Night Hunting Rule. – Until the effective date of the revised  
permanent rule that the Wildlife Resources Commission is required to adopt pursuant to  
subsection (d) of this section, the Commission and the Commission staff shall implement the  
Night Hunting Rule as provided in subsection (c) of this section.

**SECTION 1.(c)** Implementation. – To the extent allowed by federal law, the  
Commission shall apply the rules for night hunting of coyote as set forth in subsection (a) of 15A  
NCAC 10B .0219 in every county of the State.

**SECTION 1.(d)** Additional Rule-Making Authority. – The Commission shall adopt a  
rule to amend the Night Hunting Rule consistent with subsection (c) of this section.  
Notwithstanding G.S. 150B-19(4), the rule adopted by the Commission pursuant to this section  
shall be substantively identical to the provisions of subsection (c) of this section. Rules adopted  
pursuant to this section are not subject to Part 3 of Article 2A of Chapter 150B of the General  
Statutes. Rules adopted pursuant to this section shall become effective as provided in  
G.S. 150B-21.3(b1) as though 10 or more written objections had been received as provided by  
G.S. 150B-21.3(b2).

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and expires when permanent  
rules adopted as required by subsection (d) of Section 1 of this act become effective.

