

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1995

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HOUSE BILL 557

Short Title: Johnston/Dogs Running at Large.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Representative Daughtry.

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Referred to: Judiciary I.

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March 27, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT JOHNSTON COUNTY SHALL BE REQUIRED TO  
3 ENFORCE THE PROHIBITION AGAINST DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE ONLY  
4 UPON THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT BY A CITIZEN OF THE COUNTY.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 67-12 reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 67-12. Permitting dogs to run at large at night; penalty; liability for damage.**

8 (a) No person shall allow his dog over six months old to run at large in the  
9 nighttime unaccompanied by the owner or by some member of the owner's family, or  
10 some other person by the owner's permission. Any person intentionally, knowingly, and  
11 willfully violating this section shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor, and shall also be  
12 liable in damages to any person injured or suffering loss to his property or chattels.

13 (b) Nothing in this Article shall be construed to require a county to enforce the  
14 provisions of this section unless a citizen of that county files a complaint with the county  
15 stating that a dog is running at large in the county in violation of this section."

16 Sec. 2. This act applies only to Johnston County.

17 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.