

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 610*

Short Title: South Mountains Gamelands Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Weatherly, Church, R. Hunter; Beall, Berry, Brawley, Brown, Buchanan, Cansler, Carpenter, Clary, Culp, Dedmon, Dickson, Gamble, Hiatt, Howard, Ives, Justus, Kiser, Mitchell, Nesbitt, Ramsey, Rayfield, Sherrill, Thompson, and G. Wilson.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 25, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES
2 COMMISSION FOR ACQUISITION OF GAMELANDS IN THE SOUTH
3 MOUNTAINS.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Wildlife
7 Resources Commission the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for the 1997-98
8 fiscal year to assist in the acquisition of gamelands for hunting, fishing, outdoor
9 recreation, and conservation in the South Mountains. The Wildlife Resources
10 Commission may use and seek additional funds from the Wildlife Endowment Fund
11 established in G.S. 143-250.1, private citizens, private nonprofit conservation
12 organizations, the Clean Water Management Fund established in Article 13A of Chapter
13 113 of the General Statutes, the Natural Heritage Trust Fund established in Article 5A of
14 Chapter 113 of the General Statutes, and local governments to acquire gamelands in the
15 South Mountains. The Wildlife Resources Commission shall work with citizens and
16 local governments to develop and execute both a wildlife management plan and a forest
17 management plan for its gamelands in the South Mountains.

1 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.