

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 1365**

Short Title: Amend Wildlife Conservation Account.-AB

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Sponsors: Senator Hagan.

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Referred to: Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT FUNDS IN THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION  
ACCOUNT SHALL REMAIN AVAILABLE UNTIL EXPENDED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 143-247.2 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 143-247.2. Wildlife Conservation Account; emblems for those who donate to the  
Account.**

(a) Account. – The Wildlife Conservation Account is established within the  
Wildlife Resources Fund and is subject to the oversight of the State Auditor pursuant to  
Article 5A of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes. Revenue is credited to the Account  
from donations of income tax refunds, from other donations, and from revenue derived  
from the sale of wildlife resources license plates. Except as otherwise specified by law,  
all moneys appropriated or otherwise made available to the Wildlife Conservation  
Account for the purposes of administering and enforcing the wildlife conservation  
programs authorized by this section, including the income received and accruing from  
the investment of revenues in this Account, from donations of income tax refunds, and  
from revenue derived from the sale of wildlife resources license plates, shall remain  
available until expended. The Commission may use revenue in the Account only for the  
following purposes:

- (1) To manage, preserve, or protect wildlife species that are endangered,  
threatened, or of special concern and are included on the State's  
protected animal lists.
- (2) To manage, preserve, or protect nongame wildlife species that are not  
on the State's protected animal lists.
- (3) To administer and enforce nongame wildlife programs under the  
jurisdiction of the Commission.

(b) Emblems. – The Commission may issue and sell appropriate emblems by  
which to identify recipients of the emblems as contributors to the Wildlife Conservation  
Account. Emblems of different size, shape, type, or design may be used to recognize

1 contributions in different amounts. The Commission may not issue an emblem for a  
2 contribution of less than five dollars (\$5.00)."

3           **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.