

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013**

**HOUSE BILL 517
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO REGULATE HUNTING WITH ARTIFICIAL LIGHT IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it is unlawful for any person to shine a light intentionally upon any wild animal, including, but not limited to, deer, coyotes, or feral swine, from the right-of-way of any public road, street, or highway between the hours of one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act does not apply to the necessary shining lights by motorists engaged in normal travel on the highway or to landowners, campers, or others who are not attempting to attract or immobilize wildlife by the use of lights.

SECTION 3. Violation of this act is a Class 2 misdemeanor.

SECTION 4. This act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other law enforcement officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.

SECTION 5. This act applies only to Rockingham County.

SECTION 6. This act becomes effective October 1, 2013, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 5th day of June, 2013.

s/ Daniel J. Forest
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives

