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HOUSE BILL 586

Short Title: NC Am. Indian Hunting/Fishing Rights. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative C. Graham.

For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Wildlife Resources

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM HUNTING, TRAPPING, AND FISHING
3 LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR NORTH CAROLINA AMERICAN INDIANS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 113-276(1) reads as rewritten:

6 "(1) The licensing provisions of this Article do not apply ~~to a~~ to:

7 (1) A member of an Indian tribe recognized under Chapter 71A of the General
8 Statutes for purposes of hunting, trapping, or fishing on tribal land. A person
9 taking advantage of this exemption shall possess and produce proper
10 identification confirming the person's membership in a State-recognized
11 tribe upon request by a wildlife enforcement officer. For purposes of this
12 section, "tribal land" means only real property owned by an Indian tribe
13 recognized under Chapter 71A of the General Statutes.

14 (2) A resident of the State who is a member of an Indian tribe recognized under
15 Chapter 71A of the General Statutes or who has an ID card from a Native
16 nation for purposes of hunting, trapping, or fishing in the State off tribal
17 land. A person taking advantage of this exemption shall possess and produce
18 proper identification confirming the person's membership in a
19 State-recognized or federally recognized tribe upon request by a wildlife
20 enforcement officer. A person exempted from licensing under this
21 subdivision shall comply with (i) all reporting requirements prescribed by
22 statute or Wildlife Resources Commission rule, (ii) the hunter education
23 requirements set forth in G.S. 113-270.1A, (iii) the requirements for
24 purchase of federal migratory waterfowl stamps, and (iv) any other
25 requirements of law or rule to which other North Carolina hunting and
26 fishing license holders are subject. The exemption from licensing provided
27 under this subdivision shall not apply to licenses issued under Article 14A,
28 14B, or 25A of this Chapter."

29 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2017.



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