



This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

HOUSE BILL 218: Prohibit Hunting From ROW/Buncombe County.

2017-2018 General Assembly

Committee: House Wildlife Resources	Date: April 24, 2017
Introduced by: Reps. B. Turner, Ager, Fisher	Prepared by: Mariah Matheson
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BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 218 is a local bill that prohibits hunting from or across the right-of-way of any State-maintained road or highway in Buncombe County.

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- Prohibits the discharge of any firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, or other deadly weapon from, on, across, the right-of-way of any State-maintained road or highway.
- Prohibits hunting, taking, or killing any wild animal or wild bird with firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, or other deadly weapon from, on, across, the right-of-way of any State-maintained road or highway.
- Provides that a violation of the bill is a Class 3 misdemeanor.¹
- Provides that the act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by peace officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.

The act applies only to Buncombe County.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective October 1, 2017, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

¹ Assuming no prior convictions, a Class III misdemeanor would be subject to 1 to 10 community service.

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