



# SENATE BILL 217: Richmond/Right-of-Way Safety.

2017-2018 General Assembly

<b>Committee:</b>	Senate Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources. If favorable, re-refer to State and Local Government. If favorable, re-refer to Rules and Operations of the Senate	<b>Date:</b>	April 19, 2017
<b>Introduced by:</b>	Sen. McInnis	<b>Prepared by:</b>	Mariah Matheson Research Assistant
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**BILL ANALYSIS:** *Senate Bill 217 is a local bill that prohibits the discharge or attempted discharge of a firearm or bow and arrow from or across the roadway or right-of-way of any public road in Richmond County.*

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- Prohibits the discharge or attempted discharge of a firearm or bow and arrow from, on, across, or over the roadway or right-of-way of any public road. This does not include any unpaved roads within the Wildlife Resources Commission's Sandhills Game Land.
- Provides that a violation of the bill is a Class 3 misdemeanor.<sup>1</sup>
- 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 Richmond County.

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

<sup>1</sup> Assuming no prior convictions, a Class III misdemeanor would be subject to 1 to 10 days of community service.

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