

SENATE BILL 605:

North Carolina Farm Act of 2021, Sec. 7: Expand the Laws Enforced by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Law Enforcement Officers

Committee: Date: February 7, 2022
Introduced by: Prepared by: Chris Saunders
Analysis of: Sec. 7 of S.L. 2021-78
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OVERVIEW: Section 7 of S.L. 2021-78 adds G.S. 14-135, "Cutting, injuring, or removing another's timber" and G.S. 14-140.1, "Certain fire to be guarded by watchman," to the definition of "Forest Laws" enforced by the North Carolina Forest Service.

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BILL ANALYSIS: Section 7 of S.L. 2021-78 adds G.S. 14-135, "Cutting, injuring, or removing another's timber" and G.S. 14-140.1, "Certain fire to be guarded by watchman," to the definition of "Forest Laws" enforced by the North Carolina Forest Service under G.S. 106-897.

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BACKGROUND: The forest laws are defined in G.S. 106-897.

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