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H 2167. AMEND NATURAL RESOURCES LAWS 2006. Filed 5/17/06. TO AMEND VARIOUS NATURAL RESOURCES LAWS TO: (1) CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF AGRICULTURE; (2) MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO FISHING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS; AND (3) PROHIBIT THE DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION COLLECTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCE COMMISSION FOR LICENSING PURPOSES EXCEPT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION. As title indicates. Amends GS 106-581.1(3) to delete from definition of "agriculture" and "farming" the management and care of deer and elk. Amends GS 113-271(d)(9) (special landholder and guest fishing license) to define guest as any individual invited by the landholder to fish from the property at no charge. Repeals GS 143B-289.52(h) (disclosure of personal information) and adds new GS 143B-289.52(i) to provide that personal identifying information (defined in act) obtained by the Marine Fisheries Commission (hereafter, Commission) or Division of Marine Fisheries (hereafter, Division) from the Wildlife Resources Commission may be disclosed to representatives of federal, state, or local government only if the disclosure is necessary to carry out a proper function of the Commission, Division, or other agency. Adds new GS 143B-289.52(j) to allow Commission to adopt rules to exempt individuals who participate in organized fishing events held in coastal or joint fishing waters from recreational fishing license requirements for the specified time and place of the event when the purpose of the event is consistent with the Commission's conservation objectives. Intro. by Gibson, Harrell, Justice. GS 106, 113, 143B