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**S 1293. WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMM. FEES/LICENSES.** Filed 3/21/07. *TO INCREASE FEES CHARGED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION, TO AUTHORIZE FIELD TRIAL PERMITS, TO INCREASE THE COST OF COLLECTION LICENSES, GAME BIRD PROPAGATION LICENSES, AND CAPTIVITY LICENSES, TO AUTHORIZE WILDLIFE DAMAGE CONTROL AGENT LICENSES, TO ESTABLISH ANTLERLESS DEER LICENSES, TO ESTABLISH HUNTING HERITAGE AND FISHING HERITAGE LICENSES, AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO THE FEES AND LICENSES OF THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION.*

Amends various provisions of Article 21 of GS Chapter 113 (Licenses and Permits Issued by the Wildlife Resources Commission) as follows: (1) Amends GS 113-274 to permit the Wildlife Resources Commission (WRC) to charge a \$10 fee to defray the cost of processing applications for permits and to permit the issuance of a field trial permit (\$25 for residents, \$50 for non-residents) that authorizes the holder to organize a field trial with dogs in areas, at times, and with weapons approved by the WRC. (2) Changes the fee for collection licenses issued under GS 113-272.4(c), game bird propagation licenses issued under GS 113-273(h), and captivity licenses issued under GS 113-272.5 from \$5 to \$10. (3) Adds new GS 113-272.7 to authorize the WRC to license individuals as "Wildlife Damage Control Agents" for an application fee of \$50. (4) Amends GS 113-270.3(b) to permit the issuance of an antlerless deer license (\$5) to an individual who holds a big game hunting license. (5) Deletes a provision in GS 113-276.1 saying the price of a big game hunting license includes the cost of a big game tag. (6) Amends GS 113-270.2 to provide for the issuance of a hunting heritage license, a one-time introductory license that permits the holder to hunt without a Certificate of Competency from a completed hunter safety education course. The same amendment provides for the issuance of a fishing heritage license. Effective July 1, 2007.

**Intro. by Swindell.**

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