

AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT THE HUNTING OR ATTEMPTING TO HUNT WITH A FIREARM ON HIGHWAYS WITHIN MIDDLESEX COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AND TO FIX PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 29-144.5 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA OF 1950, AS AMENDED.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Middlesex County, Virginia as follows:

Section 1 Short Title.

This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Middlesex County Highway Hunting Control Ordinance.

Section 2 Hunting Prohibited.

The hunting or attempting to hunt with a firearm of any game bird or game animal while the hunting or attempting to hunt is on the roadway or right-of-way of any primary or secondary highway in Middlesex County, Virginia is prohibited. For the purpose of this ordinance, the term "hunt" or "attempt to hunt" shall not include the necessary crossing of such highways for the bona fide purpose of going into or leaving a lawful hunting area.

Section 3 Penalties.

Any person violating, causing, or permitting the violation of any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as provided by law.

Section 4 Severability.

Should any section or provision of this ordinance be declared by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part so held to be unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 5 Effective Date.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect on and after May 1, 1982.

Duly adopted after required notice and public hearing held on April 26, 1982, upon motion by Mr. Jessie, seconded by Mr. Crittenden, with the five Board members voting as follows:

Mr. Handley: Aye
Mr. Crittenden: Aye
Mr. Jessie: Aye
Mr. Revere: Aye
Mr. Gill: Aye