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Short Title: Lake Glenville/Restrict Wake Surfing. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Clampitt.

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Referred to: State and Local Government, if favorable, Judiciary 3, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

February 25, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT WAKE SURFING UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES ON THE WATERS OF LAKE GLENVILLE IN JACKSON COUNTY.

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SECTION 1.(a) Definition. – For purposes of this section, wake surfing means the operation of a motorboat, as defined in G.S. 75A-2, to which weight has been added in the stern via water-filled tanks or other ballasts for the purpose of creating an artificially enlarged wake that is or is intended to be surfed by another person towed behind the motorboat.

SECTION 1.(b) Prohibition. – No person may engage in wake surfing within 200 feet of the shoreline or any structure, moored vessel, kayak, canoe, paddleboard, or swimmer.

SECTION 2. Violation. – A violation of this act is a Class 1 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) in addition to any other punishment prescribed for that offense.

SECTION 3. Enforcement. – This act is enforceable by law enforcement officers of the Wildlife Resources Commission, by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, and by other peace officers with general subject matter jurisdiction.

SECTION 4. Applicability. – This act applies only to the waters of Lake Glenville in Jackson County.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. – This act becomes effective October 1, 2025, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

