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**SENATE BILL 122**

Short Title: Lake Royale Motor Vehicle Laws.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Senator Wellons.

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Referred to: Transportation.

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**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE LAWS RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES  
APPLY WITHIN THE LAKE ROYALE COMMUNITY IN FRANKLIN AND  
NASH COUNTIES.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The provisions of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes relating to the use of the highways of the State and the operation of motor vehicles are applicable to the streets, roadways, and alleys on the properties owned by or under the control of the Lake Royale Property Owners Association, Inc., or the members of the Lake Royale Property Owners Association, Inc. For purposes of this act, streets, roadways, and alleys in the Lake Royale Community shall have the same meaning as highways and public vehicular areas pursuant to G.S. 20-4.01. A violation of any of those laws is punishable as prescribed by those laws.

Section 2. This act is enforceable by any company policeman appointed under Chapter 74E of the General Statutes, certified by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, and employed by the Lake Royale Property Owners Association, Inc.

Section 3. Pursuant to this act, golf carts, all terrain vehicles (ATVs), go-carts, dirt bikes, and mopeds may be operated within the confines of the Lake Royale Community, if:

- 1           (1)    The vehicle displays a banner or pennant not less than 24 inches square  
2                    and which is attached to a support or antenna extending at least six feet  
3                    above the pavement;
- 4           (2)    The vehicle is registered with the Lake Royale Property Owners  
5                    Association, Inc., and has affixed to it a current Lake Royale  
6                    registration sticker;
- 7           (3)    The vehicle is not operated between dusk and sunrise; and
- 8           (4)    The vehicle is operated only on streets, roadways, alleys, and designated  
9                    trails.

10           Section 4. This act shall not be construed as in any way interfering with the  
11           ownership and control of the streets, roadways, and alleys of the Lake Royale Property  
12           Owners Association, Inc., or its members as is now vested by law in that association or  
13           its members. The speed limits within the Lake Royale Community shall be the same as  
14           those in effect at the time of ratification of this act. Any proposed change in the speed  
15           limit shall be submitted to and approved by the Boards of Commissioners of Franklin or  
16           Nash County, whichever has jurisdiction. Pursuant to G.S. 20-141, the Franklin and  
17           Nash County Boards of Commissioners may authorize by ordinance higher or lower  
18           speeds.

19           Section 5. This act applies only to the Lake Royale Community in Franklin  
20           and Nash Counties.

21           Section 6. This act is effective when it becomes law and expires two years  
22           later.