



CHAPTER 143B
ARTICLE 2 - DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

N.C.G.S. § 143B-135.254.

Definitions.

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As used in this Part, unless the context requires otherwise:

"Articles of dedication" means the writing by which any estate, interest, or right in a natural area is formally dedicated as a nature preserve as authorized in G.S. 143B-135.260.

"Dedicate" means to transfer to the State an estate, interest, or right in a natural area in any manner authorized in G.S. 143B-135.260.

"Natural area" means an area of land, water, or both land and water, whether publicly or privately owned, that (i) retains or has reestablished its natural character, (ii) provides habitat for rare or endangered species of plants or animals, (iii) or has biotic, geological, scenic, or paleontological features of scientific or educational value.

"Nature preserve" means a natural area that has been dedicated pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.260.

"Owner" means any individual, corporation, partnership, trust, or association, and all governmental units except the State, its departments, agencies or institutions.

"Registration" means an agreement between the Secretary and the owner of a natural area to protect and manage the natural area for its specified natural heritage resource values.

"Secretary" means the Secretary of Natural and Cultural Resources.

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APPARATUS I
5 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1985	c. 216, s. 1	ENACTED
02	1989	c. 727, s. 218(68)	AMENDED
03	1989	1989 (Reg. Sess., 1990), c. 1004, s. 19(b)	AMENDED
04	1997	S.L. 1997-443, s. 11A.119(a)	AMENDED
05	2015	S.L. 2015-241, ss. 14.30(k2), (r2)	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
1 AUTHORITY

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 143B-135.260	(null)(1)	"a nature preserve as authorized in"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

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