April 15, 1999

H 1177. LOCKSMITH LICENSURE-2. TO ESTABLISH THE LOCKSMITH LICENSING ACT. Identical to S 477, introduced 3/23/99, except does not exempt from provisions of new act persons who are currently working as a locksmith and have performed locksmith services in NC for at least two consecutive years before applying for licensure.

Intro. by Ellis and Mosley.

Ref. to Finance GS 74F

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H 1177. LOCKSMITH LICENSURE. Intro. 4/15/1999. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Revises definition of Class 3 misdemeanor in proposed GS 74F-3(b) by specifying that to commit offense, person must *possess* locksmith tools, safe opening tools, or code books *for purpose of violating laws of state*.

Revises GS 74F-16 to add the following exemptions to act's requirements: employee or apprentice of licensed locksmith; person required to be licensed or registered by Alarm Systems Licensing Board pursuant to GS Ch. 74D; employee of towing service, repossessor, or motor club who opens automotive locks in course of duties and does not represent self as locksmith; property owner or owner's employee who provides maintenance for the property and who does not represent self as locksmith; and merchant or store that duplicates keys or installs, repairs, or maintains locks so long as merchant or store does not represent self as locksmith.