S 172. POSSESSION OF BLUE LIGHTS ILLEGAL. *TO MAKE THE POSSESSION OF BLUE LIGHTS ILLEGAL.* Amends GS 20-130.1 to make unlawful the possession of a "blue light," except when possession is temporary and for the purpose of installation on a vehicle used primarily for law enforcement purposes or by law enforcement officers in the performance of official duties. "Blue light" means a operable blue light designed for use by an emergency vehicle or similar in appearance to such lights, which can be operated by use of the vehicle's battery, the vehicle's electrical system, or a dry cell battery.

Intro. by Rand.

Ref. to Judiciary I

GS 20

April 19, 1999

S 172. CLARIFY BLUE LIGHTS ILLEGAL. Intro. 3/25/99. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends GS 20-130.1(c) rather than creating new subsection (c1). Provides that blue light as used in the act means one that is not (1) being installed on, held in inventory for the purpose of being installed on, or held in inventory for the purpose of sale for installation on a vehicle on which it may be lawfully operated or (2) installed on a vehicle that is used solely for the purposed of demonstrating the blue light for sale to law enforcement personnel.

May 26, 1999

S 172. POSSESSION OF BLUE LIGHTS ILLEGAL. Intro. 2/25/99. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Allows blue light use by public officials in the performance of official duties as well as by law enforcement officers.

June 16, 1999

S 172. POSSESSION OF BLUE LIGHTS ILLEGAL. Intro. 2/24/99. House amendment makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Deletes provision authorizing public officials other than law enforcement officers to use blue light in performance of official duties.