March 15, 2001

H 635. REGULATE BODY PIERCING. TO REGULATE THE BUSINESS OF BODY PIERCING. Enacts new GS Ch. 66, Art. 40, as title indicates. Defines body piercing (excludes certain ear lobe piercings). Requires Dep't of Environment & Natural Resources (DENR) to establish sterilization, sanitation, and safety standards for persons engaged in business of body piercing. Establishes minimum certification requirements for body piercing technicians. Requires body piercing technicians and operators of body piercing facilities to register with DENR. Requires operators of body piercing facilities to obtain permit from DENR. Requires body piercing technicians and operators of body piercing facilities to follow infection control precautions specified in act. Enacts criminal and administrative penalties for violations of act. Act does not apply to activities of licensed physicians or surgeons. Registration requirements are effective Oct. 1, 2002; permit requirement is effective Jan. 1, 2002; remainder of act is effective Jan. 1, 2002.

Intro. by Mitchell.

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April 12, 2001

H 635. REGULATE BODY PIERCING. Intro. 3/15/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Rewrites bill to amend GS 130A-29(c)(8) to allow Comm'n for Health Services to establish permit requirement for the sanitation of premises, utensils, equipment and procedures to be used by person engaging in body piercing (as well as tattooing, which is already regulated by that section). Amends GS 130A-39 to allow local board of health to assess fees on tattooing and body-piercing activities. Adds new GS 130A-284 to regulate body piercing, as defined in bill. Excludes from definition the piercing of ear lobe using single use stud or solid needle that uses mechanical device to force the needle through the ear lobe. Prohibits engaging in body piercing without permit. Exempts medical personnel from permit requirement. Specifies permit process. Requires materials used in piercing activities to be disposed of in accordance with comm'n rules. Effective Oct. 1, 2001.

September 13, 2001

H 635. REGULATE BODY PIERCING. Intro. 3/15/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Changes effective date from Oct. 1, 2001, to Dec. 1, 2001.

September 28, 2001

H 635. REGULATE BODY PIERCING. Intro. 3/15/01. House amendment makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Makes technical change only.

October 3, 2001

H 635. REGULATE BODY PIERCING. Intro. 3/14/01. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 4th edition. Makes technical changes only.