April 2, 2001

H 946. POSSESSION/MANUFACTURE OF FRAUDULENT IDS. TO MAKE POSSESSION OR MANUFACTURE OF FRAUDULENT FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION AN OFFENSE.

Intro. by Eddins.

Ref. to Judiciary III GS 14

April 25, 2001

H 946. POSSESSION/MANUFACTURE OF FRAUDULENT IDS. Intro. 4/2/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Adds to bill a new GS 18B-302 making it unlawful to possess or display fraudulent identification while attempting to buy alcoholic beverages. Also deletes from bill's listing of fraudulent forms of identification in bill's new GS 14-100.1 the phrase "any form of identification containing a picture." Changes title to AN ACT TO MAKE POSSESSION OR MANUFACTURE OF FRAUDULENT FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION AN OFFENSE AND TO MAKE IT ILLEGAL TO POSSESS FRAUDULENT IDENTIFICATION WHILE ATTEMPTING TO ENTER THE PREMISES OF AN ALCOHOL PERMITTEE OR OBTAIN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

October 3, 2001

H 946. POSSESSION/MANUFACTURE OF FRAUDULENT IDS. Intro. 4/2/01. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Makes it a Class 2 misdemeanor (was, Class 1) for any person to knowingly possess or manufacture a false or fraudulent form of identification for the purpose of deception, fraud, or other criminal conduct. Adds new provisions establishing the Drivers License Technology Fund and governing the electronic verification of drivers license information: (1) establishes Drivers License Technology Fund in the Dep't of Transportation as a nonreverting, interest-bearing special revenue account, with money to be used for information technology and office automation needs; and (2) requires Comm'r of Motor Vehicles to establish and operate an electronic system that can be used to verify drivers licenses and identification cards issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles and the dates of birth on those documents, in order to facilitate access to information to prevent the use of false identification for underage purchases of age-restricted products. Prohibits a person using the electronic system from collecting, retaining, transferring or making accessible any information for any purpose other than those established in the bill. Makes additional technical changes. New provisions effective upon enactment; remainder effective Dec. 1, 2001.

Senate amendment adds new section that intends to amend GS 14-313(b) by providing that a person engaged in the sale of tobacco products, who relies on the electronic system established and operated by the Division of Motor Vehicles pursuant to GS 20-37.2 to verify the age of a prospective purchaser, shall have a reasonable defense to a charge of failure to demand proof of age.