

March 6, 2001

S 346. AMEND THE LAWS-2. TO AMEND THE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA. Blank bill.

Intro. by Rand.

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April 25, 2001

S 346. AMEND STALKING/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LAWS. Intro. 3/6/01. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Replaces blank bill with act entitled *AMENDING THE LAW REGARDING THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF STALKING AND CERTAIN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LAWS*. Revises GS 14-277.3 regarding definition of stalking offense, adding harassment and fear for safety of the person's immediate family or close personal associates. Makes violation a Class A1 misdemeanor and a Class H felony if done where there is a court order in effect prohibiting similar behavior. A subsequent offense is made a Class F felony. Revises GS 15A-534.1(a) regarding conditions of pretrial release that requires a judge to consider specified factors to require such review when the defendant is charged with a variety of specified offenses (including rape and sexual offenses, assault, kidnapping, and arson) regarding current or past domestic partners. Revises GS 50B-1(a) to include continued harassment that inflicts substantial emotional distress within the definition of domestic violence. Amends GS 50B-4.1 to provide that a person committing a felony while knowingly violating a valid protective order shall be guilty of a felony one class higher than the principal felony (unless that is a Class A or B1 felony or the multiple offense felony created by this law) and makes fourth offense of violation of a valid protective order a Class H felony. Effective Dec. 1, 2001, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

May 16, 2001

S 346. AMEND STALKING/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LAWS. Intro. 3/6/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Amends GS 50B-2(c1), which allows magistrates to enter emergency ex parte domestic violence protective orders, to provide that orders expire at the end of the next day in which district court is scheduled in the county (now after 72 hours or end of next court day, whichever is first), and makes technical changes.