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H 1255. DNA BANK/VOLUNTARY DNA SAMPLE FROM PRISONERS. *TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO ESTABLISH A DNA DATABANK OF DNA SAMPLES LINKED WITH AN INDIVIDUAL'S MEDICAL RECORD PROVIDED VOLUNTARILY BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS CONVICTED OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES WHO ARE SERVING ACTIVE TIME.*

Adds new Part 19 to Art. 10 of GS Ch. 143B for purpose indicated in title. States that principal purpose of DNA database is to advance scientific study of links between genetics and common diseases to improve diagnosis and treatment of these diseases. Contains provisions on collection of samples, access to database information, confidentiality of records, and segregation of records. Sets fees that Dept' of Commerce may charge for providing data to corporations and research institutions. Appropriates \$300,000 from General Fund to Dep't for each year of 2003-2005 biennium to establish database. Act effective only if funds are appropriated. Effective July 1, 2003.

Intro. by Miller.

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