March 6, 2003

H 244. ARSON OFFENSES-SENT. COMMISSION. TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR SECOND DEGREE ARSON AND TO REQUIRE THAT PHYSICIANS AND HOSPITALS REPORT CERTAIN TYPES OF BURN CASES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA SENTENCING AND POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION. Amends GS 14-58, reclassifying second-degree arson from a Class G felony to a Class E felony. Amends GS 90-21.20(b) to require that physicians and hospitals report to law enforcement every case of a burn which covers approximately 10% or more of the patient's body if it appears to the physician or surgeon treating the case that a criminal act was involved. Effective December 1, 2003 and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

Intro. by Haire.

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**H 244. ARSON OFFENSES-SENT. COMMISSION.** Intro. 3/6/03. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Makes technical change only.