

March 6, 2003

**H 352. DRUG SCREENING & ASSESSMENT. TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING DRUG SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT OF A CRIMINAL DEFENDANT FOR CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA SENTENCING AND POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION.** Adds a new subsection to GS 15A-1343 providing that a defendant ordered to submit to a period of residential treatment in the DART program must undergo a screening to determine chemical dependency. If the screening indicates the defendant is chemically dependent, the court must order an assessment to determine the appropriate level of treatment. Repeals GS 15A-1351(h) (substance abuse recommendation). Amends GS 143B-262.1(h) to delete a court recommendation from the admission priorities. Effective December 1, 2003, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

**Intro. by Haire.**

Ref. to Judiciary IV	GS 15A, 143B
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**SL 2003-141 (H 352). DRUG SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT. AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING DRUG SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT OF A CRIMINAL DEFENDANT FOR CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA SENTENCING AND POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION.** Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/6/03. Enacted June 4, 2003. Effective December 1, 2003.