

March 25, 2003

S 527. DEATH BY VEHICLE. *TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF "DEATH BY VEHICLE" AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE OFFENSE SHALL BE PUNISHED AS A CLASS I FELONY.* Amends GS 20-141.4 to create a "death by vehicle" offense, between the current felony death by vehicle and misdemeanor death by vehicle offenses, which is punishable as a Class I felony. Provides that person commits "death by vehicle" if unintentionally causes the death of another person while engaging in passing a stopped school bus, reckless driving, driving on the wrong side of the road, running through a stop sign or a red light; speeding 15 miles per hour or more over the speed limit; or speeding in a school zone. Effective December 1, 2003, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

Intro. by Hartsell.

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