April 21, 2005

H 1515. MED SCHOOLS/CRIM BACKGROUND CHECK. TO REQUIRE A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK OF ALL STUDENTS ADMITTED INTO A SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AT A NORTH CAROLINA INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION. As title indicates, applicable to 2006-07 academic year and thereafter. Criminal background check must also include determination whether applicant had adjudication as sex offender that would require registration under Article 27A of GS Chapter 14. Department of Justice may provide criminal record check to schools of medicine of UNC constituent institutions. For school of medicine of private institutions, Department of Justice may provide check to NC Medical Board on behalf of institution. If Medical Board determines that information from check would cause board to either refuse to license student to practice medicine or investigate student before issuing license, then board must report that fact to private institution. Department of Justice may charge applicant a fee for conducting check, but fee may not exceed cost of doing check. Information from check must be considered by school of medicine in determining whether to complete matriculation process, but criminal conviction does not automatically preclude applicant from matriculating. However, applicant who has been adjudicated as sex offender is barred from admission to any school of medicine in state. Intro. by LaRoque.

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May 31, 2005

H 1515. MED SCHOOLS/CRIM BACKGROUND CHECK. Intro. 4/21/05. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends proposed new GS 116-265(a)(3) to include in definition of "private institution" any institution that meets all of the requirements and regulations of accrediting agencies whose approval is normally required for establishment and operation of a medical school. Deletes from proposed new GS 116-265(b) the requirement that a criminal background check determine whether the person has any adjudications as a sex offender that would require registration and deletes from proposed new GS 116-267 the requirement that an applicant who has been adjudicated a sex offender be precluded from admission to any school of medicine located in the state.

July 19, 2005

H 1515. MED SCHOOLS/CRIM BACKGROUND CHECK. Intro. 4/21/05. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Deletes requirement that criminal background check be both national and state. Allows Dep't of Justice to provide results of criminal background check directly to private institutions rather than to NC Medical Board. Makes conforming and technical changes.