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**H 2138. TERRORISM/STATE CRIME.** Filed 5/17/06. *TO MAKE TERRORISM A VIOLATION OF THE CRIMINAL LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA.* Section 1 amends GS Chapter 14 by adding new Article 36C ("Terrorism"), consisting of GS 14-288.25 ("Definitions"), 14-288.26 ("Crime of Terrorism"), and 14-288.27 ("Duty to report crimes; penalty for failure to report in certain circumstances"). New GS 14-288.26 defines the new crime of terrorism as committing a specified offense, or providing material support or resources used in the attempt or commission of a specified offense, with the intent to (1) intimidate or coerce a civilian population, influence the policy of a unit of government by intimidation or coercion, or affecting the conduct of a unit of government by murder, assassination, or kidnapping. With certain exceptions, conviction under the statute is a felony one class higher than the specified offense committed or one class higher than the offense applicable to the conviction of an attempt or conspiracy to commit the specified offense. New GS 14-288.27 provides that any person who withholds information from law enforcement or provides false information to law enforcement, or harbors or conceals an offender, is guilty of a Class H felony. Section 2 appropriates \$10,000 from the General fund to the Administrative Office of the Courts for 2006-07 to implement the act. Effective December 1, 2006, and applicable to offenses committed on or after that date.

**Intro. by LaRoque.**

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