

March 15, 2005

S 560. AMEND CERTAIN CRIMINAL OFFENSES. *TO AMEND STATE LAW TO REDEFINE PROSTITUTION TO INCLUDE ACTS OTHER THAN INTERCOURSE, SPECIFICALLY PROHIBIT PUBLIC SEXUAL ACTIVITY, AND COMPLY WITH THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT DECISION OF LAWRENCE V. TEXAS.* As title indicates, amends GS 14-203 definition of prostitution to include the offering or receiving of the body for a sex act and to delete "indiscriminate sexual intercourse without hire" from definition. Enacts new GS 14-190.9(a1) to make certain public sexual activity in the presence of any other person, or the lease of premises for that purpose, a Class 1 misdemeanor. Amends GS 14-177 to impose criminal penalties for bestiality (was, crime against nature) and to define bestiality as sexual intercourse or sex acts with animals. Applies to offenses committed on or after December 1, 2005.

Intro. by Kinnaird.

Ref. to Judiciary II

GS 14