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H 155. CONSCIENCE PROTECTION/HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. Filed 2/12/07. *TO EXTEND CONSCIENCE PROTECTION TO CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.* Amends GS 14-45.1(e) to extend its provisions to pharmacists and other health care providers regarding conscience protection for health care providers who, based on moral, ethical, or religious grounds, choose not to perform or participate in medical procedures resulting in lawful abortion. Also expands the conscience protection to include choosing not to prescribe or dispense drugs or devices that result in lawful abortion. Under current law, conscience protection provisions apply to physicians licensed to practice in North Carolina and nurses.

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