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H 1003. PUBLIC HEALTH/INVESTIG. & CONTROL MSURS. Filed 4/1/09. TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING STATUTORY CHANGES PERTAINING TO THE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE LAWS AND BIRTH REGISTRATION.

GS 15A-534.3 permits a judicial official to order detention of a defendant for up to 24 hours, for testing, if there is probable cause that some other individual "was exposed" to the defendant in such a way as to pose a significant risk for transmission to the AIDS virus or Hepatitis B. This bill replaces the quoted language with "had a nonsexual exposure."

GS 130-144(b) directs physicians and persons in charge of medical facilities or laboratories to share medical records with the local or state health director when there may be a communicable disease involved. This bill expands those subject to the statute to "other persons."

Amends GS 130A-101(b), concerning obtaining information for a birth certificate, to remove the requirement that the person in charge of a medical facility file the information with the local registrar within five days after the birth.

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