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**H 134. ASSAULT STATE OR LOCAL OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE.** Filed 2/11/09. *TO RAISE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF SIMPLE ASSAULT ON AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE FROM A CLASS A1 MISDEMEANOR TO A CLASS I FELONY.*

Enacts a new GS 14-33.3 to make it a Class I felony, unless some provision of law provides for greater punishment, for any person to assault an officer or employee of the state or any political subdivision of the state, when the officer or employee is discharging or attempting to discharge the officer's or employee's official duties. Repeals GS 14-33(c)(4), which makes this same offense a Class A1 misdemeanor. Effective December 1, 2009, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date. Provides that prosecutions for offenses committed before the effective date are not abated or affected and statutes that would be applicable but for this act remain applicable to those prosecutions.

**Intro. by Tucker.**

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