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**S 597. JURY EXHIBITS/CRIMINAL TRIALS.** Filed 3/12/09. TO PROVIDE THAT THE PRESIDING TRIAL JUDGE IN A CRIMINAL CASE HAS THE SOLE DISCRETION TO DETERMINE WHETHER JURORS MAY TAKE EXHIBITS INTRODUCED INTO EVIDENCE IN THE JURY ROOM AND THAT THE CONSENT OF ALL PARTIES IS NOT NECESSARY.

Amends GS 15A-1233(b) as title indicates. Applies to trials beginning on or after December 1, 2009.

Intro. by Clodfelter.

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