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HOUSE BILL 789* PROPOSED SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE H789-PCS30543-ST-96

Short Title: Enhance Protection of Victims & Witnesses.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO CREATE ENHANCED PROTECTIONS FOR VICTIMS AND WITNESSES 3 BY INCREASING THE CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR THE OFFENSE OF INTIMIDATING OR INTERFERING WITH A WITNESS. 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 5 6 SECTION 1. G.S. 14-226(a) reads as rewritten: 7 "(a) If any person shall by threats, menaces or in any other manner intimidate or attempt to intimidate any person who is summoned or acting as a witness in any of the courts of this 8 9 State, or prevent or deter, or attempt to prevent or deter any person summoned or acting as such witness from attendance upon such court, he the person shall be guilty of a Class H 10 felony.Class C felony." 11 12 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2010, and applies to

13 offenses committed on or after that date.

