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HOUSE DRH20085-LL-108 (03/03)

Short Title: Community Corr./Interstate Compact/Fund.-AB (Public) Sponsors: Representative Stevens. Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 2 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE SECTION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS TO IMPOSE 3 ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION ON OFFENDERS BEING 4 SUPERVISED UNDER THE INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR ADULT OFFENDER 5 SUPERVISION, TO EXPAND THE USE OF THE INTERSTATE COMPACT FUND TO 6 INCLUDE OPERATIONAL COSTS OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, TO PROVIDE 7 THAT WHEN A SEX OFFENDER IS TRANSFERRED FROM ANOTHER STATE TO 8 NORTH CAROLINA UNDER THE INTERSTATE COMPACT A DETERMINATION

SHALL BE MADE BY A NORTH CAROLINA COURT AS TO WHETHER THE OFFENDER MUST ENROLL IN SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING, AND TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR MAKING THAT DETERMINATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 15A-1343.2 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

- "(g1) Supervision Under Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision. In all cases in which supervision of an offender in this State is being administered pursuant to the Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision established by G.S. 148-65.5, the Section of Community Corrections of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety may require an offender to do any of the following:
 - <u>(1)</u> Perform up to 20 hours of community service and pay the fee prescribed by law for this supervision.
 - Report to the offender's probation officer on a frequency to be determined by **(2)** the officer.
 - Submit to substance abuse assessment, monitoring, or treatment. (3)
 - Submit to house arrest with electronic monitoring. <u>(4)</u>
 - (5) Submit to a period or periods of confinement in a local confinement facility for a total of no more than six days per month during any three separate months during the period of supervision. The six-days-per-month confinement provided for in this subdivision may only be imposed as two-day or three-day consecutive periods. When a defendant is under supervision for multiple judgments, confinement periods imposed under this subdivision shall run concurrently and total no more than six days per month.
 - Submit to a curfew that requires the offender to remain in a specified place (6) for a specified period each day and wear a device that permits the offender's compliance with the condition to be monitored electronically.



- (7) Participate in an educational or vocational skills development program, including an evidence-based program.
- (8) Obtain a specific sex offender assessment and follow all recommended treatment.
- (9) Obtain a mental health assessment and follow all recommended treatment.

If the Section of Community Corrections imposes any of the above requirements, then it may subsequently reduce or remove those same requirements.

The Section of Community Corrections may impose the conditions under this subsection only if it first determines that the offender has failed to comply with one or more of the conditions of supervision or the offender is determined to be high risk based upon the results of the risk assessment in G.S. 15A-1343.2, except that the condition provided for in subdivision (5) of this subsection may not be imposed unless the Section determines that the offender failed to comply with one or more of the conditions of supervision."

SECTION 2. G.S. 148-65.7(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Persons convicted in this State who make a request for transfer to another state pursuant to the compact shall pay a transfer application of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each transfer application submitted. The transfer application fee shall be paid to the Compact Commissioner upon submission of the transfer application. The Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee may waive the application fee if either the Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee finds that payment of the fee will constitute an undue economic burden on the offender.

All fees collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Interstate Compact Fund and shall be used only to support administration of the Interstate Compact. Compact and operational costs for the Section of Community Corrections of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety.

The Interstate Compact Fund is established within the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety as a nonreverting, interest-bearing special revenue account. Accordingly, revenue in the Fund at the end of a fiscal year does not revert, and interest and other investment income earned by the Fund shall be credited to it. All moneys collected by the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer to be deposited and held in this Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used to supplement funds otherwise available to the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety for the administration of the Interstate Compact and operational costs for the Section of Community Corrections of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety."

SECTION 3. G.S. 14-208.40B is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

- "(d) When an offender from another state is transferred to North Carolina under the Interstate Compact and the crime for which the offender will be under supervision in North Carolina equates to a reportable conviction under G.S. 14-208.6(4) but the court of the state transferring the offender did not consider or order satellite-based monitoring, a court of this State shall consider whether the offender's criminal conviction is one that requires satellite-based monitoring. The procedure for making that determination shall be as follows:
 - (1) The offender shall receive notice, before being transferred to North Carolina, that the offender may be subject to a judicial hearing in North Carolina to determine whether the offender's conviction requires the offender to enroll in satellite-based monitoring.
 - (2) The Division of Adult Correction shall make an initial determination as to whether the offender's crime is a reportable conviction under North Carolina law.
 - (3) The district attorney in the judicial district where the offender will be supervised shall schedule a hearing in the appropriate court in that judicial

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1 district to determine whether the offender must enroll in satellite-based 2 monitoring. The Division of Adult Correction shall notify the offender of the 3 Division's determination and the date of the scheduled hearing by certified 4 mail sent to the address provided by the offender. The hearing shall be 5 scheduled no sooner than 15 days from the date the notification is mailed. 6 Receipt of notification shall be presumed to be the date indicated by the 7 certified mail receipt. If the court determines that an offender is indigent and 8 entitled to counsel, the court shall assign counsel to represent the offender at 9 the hearing pursuant to rules adopted by the Office of Indigent Defense 10 Services. At the hearing, the court shall determine whether the offender's 11 crime constitutes a reportable conviction under North Carolina law and shall 12 make findings of fact pursuant to G.S. 14-208.40A. 13 If the court determines that the offender may be classified as a sexually <u>(4)</u> 14 violent predator, is a recidivist, committed an aggravated offense, or 15

- committed a crime substantially similar to G.S. 14-27.2A, or 14-27.4A, the court shall order the offender to enroll in satellite-based monitoring for the duration of the period of supervision in this State.
- If the court finds that the offender committed an offense involving the <u>(5)</u> physical, mental, or sexual abuse of a minor but the offense is not one described in subdivision (4) of this subsection, and the Division of Adult Correction's risk assessment requires the highest possible level of supervision and monitoring, the court shall order the offender to enroll in satellite-based monitoring for the duration of the period of supervision in this State."

SECTION 4. Section 3 of this act becomes effective December 1, 2015, and applies to transfers of offenders that occur on or after that date. The remainder of this act becomes effective July 1, 2015, and applies to persons being supervised under the Interstate Compact for Adult Supervision on or after that date.