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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE NEW FIRST DEGREE TRESPASS OFFENSES, TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING THE PROCEDURES FOR A MOTION FOR APPROPRIATE RELIEF, TO AMEND THE PROCEDURE FOR IMMEDIATE LICENSE REVOCATIONS FOR PROVISIONAL LICENSEES CHARGED WITH CERTAIN CRIMINAL MOVING VIOLATIONS, TO CLARIFY THAT CERTAIN CHANGES TO PAYABLE ON DEATH CONTRACTS DID NOT CHANGE THE PROCEDURES FOR CREATING THOSE CONTRACTS, TO ESTABLISH A RESEARCH AND PLANNING SECTION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO DESIGNATE ITS RESEARCH AND PLANNING SECTION AS THE SINGLE STATE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COORDINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF REENTRY POLICY INITIATIVES, TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO ASSIST OFFENDERS IN SUCCESSFULLY REENTERING SOCIETY, AND TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR LOCAL FORENSIC SCIENCE LABS TO OBTAIN ACCREDITATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 14-159.12 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-159.12. First degree trespass.

(a) Offense. – A person commits the offense of first degree trespass if, without authorization, he enters or remains:

- (1) On premises of another so enclosed or secured as to demonstrate clearly an intent to keep out intruders; or
- (2) In a building of another.

(b) ~~Classification.~~—~~First~~Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) or (d) of this section, first degree trespass is a Class 2 misdemeanor.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section, a violation of subsection (a) of this section is a Class A1 misdemeanor if all of the following circumstances exist:

- (1) The offense is committed on the premises of any of the following:
 - a. A facility that is owned or operated by an electric power supplier as defined in G.S. 62-133.8(a)(3) and that is either an electric generation facility, a transmission substation, a transmission switching station, a transmission switching structure, or a control



- 1 center used to manage transmission operations or electrical power
2 generating at multiple plant locations.
3 b. Any facility used or available for use in the collection, treatment,
4 testing, storing, pumping, or distribution of water for a public water
5 system.
6 c. Any facility, including any liquefied natural gas storage facility or
7 propane air facility, that is owned or operated by a natural gas local
8 distribution company, natural gas pipeline carrier operating under a
9 certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Utilities
10 Commission, municipal corporation operating a municipally owned
11 gas distribution system, or regional natural gas district organized and
12 operated pursuant to Article 28 of Chapter 160A of the General
13 Statutes used for transmission, distribution, measurement, testing,
14 regulating, compression, control, or storage of natural gas.
15 (2) The person actually entered a building, or it was necessary for the person to
16 climb over, go under, or otherwise surmount a fence or other barrier to reach
17 the facility.
18 (d) If, in addition to the circumstances set out in subsection (c) of this section, the
19 violation also includes any of the following elements, then the offense is a Class H felony:
20 (1) The offense is committed with the intent to disrupt the normal operation of
21 any of the facilities described in subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this
22 section.
23 (2) The offense involves an act that places either the offender or others on the
24 premises at risk of serious bodily injury.
25 (e) As used in subsections (c) and (d) of this section, the term "facility" shall mean a
26 building or other infrastructure."

27 **SECTION 2.(a)** G.S. 15A-1413 reads as rewritten:

28 **"§ 15A-1413. Trial judges empowered to ~~act~~; assignment of motions for appropriate**
29 **relief.**

30 (a) A motion for appropriate relief made pursuant to G.S. 15A-1415 may be heard and
31 determined in the trial division by any judge ~~who~~ who (i) is empowered to act in criminal
32 matters in the district court district as defined in G.S. 7A-133 or superior court district or set of
33 districts as defined in G.S. 7A-41.1, as the case may be, in which the judgment was
34 ~~entered~~ entered and (ii) is assigned pursuant to this section to review the motion for appropriate
35 relief and take the appropriate administrative action to dispense with the motion.

36 (b) The judge who presided at the trial is empowered to act upon a motion for
37 appropriate relief made pursuant to G.S. 15A-1414. ~~He~~ The judge may act even though ~~he~~ the
38 judge is in another district or even though ~~his~~ the judge's commission has ~~expired~~. expired;
39 however, if the judge who presided at the trial is still unavailable to act, the senior resident
40 superior court judge or the chief district court judge, as appropriate, shall assign a judge who is
41 empowered to act under subsection (a) of this section.

42 (c) ~~When a motion for appropriate relief may be made before a judge who did not hear~~
43 ~~the case, he may, if it is practicable to do so, refer all or a part of the matter for decision to the~~
44 ~~judge who heard the case.~~

45 (d) All motions for appropriate relief filed in superior court shall, when filed, be
46 referred to the senior resident superior court judge, who shall assign the motion as provided by
47 this section for review and administrative action, including, as may be appropriate, dismissal,
48 calendar for hearing, entry of a scheduling order for subsequent events in the case, or other
49 appropriate actions.

50 All motions for appropriate relief filed in district court shall, when filed, be referred to the
51 chief district court judge, who shall assign the motion as provided by this section for review

1 and administrative action, including, as may be appropriate, dismissal, calendaring for hearing,
2 entry of a scheduling order for subsequent events in the case, or other appropriate actions.

3 (e) The assignment of a motion for appropriate relief filed under G.S. 15A-1415 is in
4 the discretion of the senior resident superior court judge or chief district court judge as
5 appropriate."

6 **SECTION 2.(b)** G.S. 15A-1420 reads as rewritten:

7 **"§ 15A-1420. Motion for appropriate relief; procedure.**

8 (a) Form, Service, Filing.

9 (1) A motion for appropriate relief must:

10 a. Be made in writing unless it is made:

11 1. In open court;

12 2. Before the judge who presided at trial;

13 3. Before the end of the session if made in superior court; and

14 4. Within 10 days after entry of judgment;

15 b. State the grounds for the motion;

16 c. Set forth the relief sought;

17 c1. If the motion for appropriate relief is being made in superior court
18 and is being made by an attorney, the attorney must certify in writing
19 that there is a sound legal basis for the motion and that it is being
20 made in good faith; and that the attorney has notified both the district
21 attorney's office and the attorney who initially represented the
22 defendant of the motion; and further, that the attorney has reviewed
23 the trial transcript or made a good-faith determination that the nature
24 of the relief sought in the motion does not require that the trial
25 transcript be read in its entirety. In the event that the trial transcript is
26 unavailable, instead of certifying that the attorney has read the trial
27 transcript, the attorney shall set forth in writing what efforts were
28 undertaken to locate the transcript; and

29 d. Be timely filed.

30 (2) A written motion for appropriate relief must be served in the manner
31 provided in G.S. 15A-951(b). ~~When the written motion is made more than~~
32 ~~10 days after entry of judgment, service of the motion and a notice of~~
33 ~~hearing must be made not less than five working days prior to the date of the~~
34 ~~hearing.~~ When a motion for appropriate relief is permitted to be made orally
35 the court must determine whether the matter may be heard immediately or at
36 a later time. If the opposing party, or his counsel if he is represented, is not
37 present, the court must provide for the giving of adequate notice of the
38 motion and the date of hearing to the opposing party, or his counsel if he is
39 represented by counsel.

40 (3) A written motion for appropriate relief must be filed in the manner provided
41 in G.S. 15A-951(c).

42 (4) An oral or written motion for appropriate relief may not be granted in district
43 court without the signature of the district attorney, indicating that the State
44 has had an opportunity to consent or object to the motion. However, the
45 court may grant a motion for appropriate relief without the district attorney's
46 signature 10 business days after the district attorney has been notified in
47 open court of the motion, or served with the motion pursuant to
48 G.S. 15A-951(c).

49 (5) An oral or written motion for appropriate relief made in superior court and
50 made by an attorney may not be granted by the court unless the attorney has

- 1 complied with the requirements of sub-subdivision c1. of subdivision (1) of
2 this subsection.
- 3 (b) Supporting Affidavits.
- 4 (1) A motion for appropriate relief made after the entry of judgment must be
5 supported by affidavit or other documentary evidence if based upon the
6 existence or occurrence of facts which are not ascertainable from the records
7 and any transcript of the case or which are not within the knowledge of the
8 judge who hears the motion.
- 9 (2) The opposing party may file affidavits or other documentary evidence.
- 10 (b1) Filing Motion With Clerk; Review of Motion by Judge, Clerk.
- 11 (1) The proceeding shall be commenced by filing with the clerk of superior
12 court of the district wherein the defendant was indicted a motion, with
13 service on the district attorney in noncapital cases, and service on both the
14 district attorney and Attorney General in capital cases.
- 15 (2) The clerk, upon receipt of the motion, shall place the motion on the criminal
16 docket. ~~The clerk shall promptly bring the motion, or a copy of the motion,~~
17 ~~to the attention of the resident judge or any judge holding court in the county~~
18 ~~or district.~~ When a motion is placed on the criminal docket, the clerk shall
19 promptly bring the motion, or a copy of the motion, to the attention of the
20 senior resident superior court judge or chief district court judge, as
21 appropriate, for assignment to the appropriate judge pursuant to
22 G.S. 15A-1413.
- 23 (b2) Noncapital Cases. – Assignment of Motion for Review; Initial Review of Motion;
24 Time Frame for Hearings and Ruling on Motion.
- 25 (1) ~~In noncapital cases, the judge shall review the motion and enter an order~~
26 ~~whether the defendant should be allowed to proceed without the payment of~~
27 ~~costs, with respect to the appointment of counsel, and directing the State, if~~
28 ~~necessary, to file an answer.~~ In noncapital cases, the senior resident superior
29 court judge or chief district court judge, as appropriate, shall, within 30 days
30 of the filing of the motion, assign the motion for initial review to the
31 appropriate judge as provided in G.S. 15A-1413.
- 32 (2) The assigned judge, no later than 30 working days after the assignment, shall
33 review the motion and issue a written initial review order that concludes the
34 initial review of the motion in one of the following manners: (i) by
35 dismissing the motion for lack of merit on its face, (ii) by directing the State,
36 if necessary, to file an answer within 30 days from the date on which the
37 initial review order was issued, or (iii) by dispensing with the requirement
38 that the State file an answer and instead order a hearing. Unless the motion is
39 dismissed, the initial review order shall also indicate whether the defendant
40 shall be allowed to proceed without the payment of costs; indicate whether
41 counsel shall be appointed; and calendar a hearing on the motion within the
42 appropriate time period as set out in subdivisions (3) and (4) of this
43 subsection.
- 44 (3) Unless provided otherwise by this subsection, if the court determines that an
45 evidentiary hearing is required, then the hearing must be held within 90 days
46 from the date on which the initial review order was issued; if no evidentiary
47 hearing is required, then the hearing must be held within 60 days from the
48 date on which the initial review order was issued. If, in the initial review
49 order, the court orders the State to file an answer and the court determines
50 that an evidentiary hearing is required, then the evidentiary hearing must be
51 held within 150 days from the date on which the initial review order was

1 issued; if the court determines that the hearing is not an evidentiary hearing,
2 then the hearing must be held within 120 days from the date on which the
3 initial review order was issued.

4 (4) If the court determines pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection that
5 counsel shall be appointed, the time periods provided in subdivision (3) of
6 this subsection shall be calculated from the date of the appointment of
7 counsel rather than the date of the initial review order and shall be extended
8 for an additional 60 days.

9 (5) The court shall provide notice of the date of the hearing to both the State and
10 the defendant, or the defendant's counsel if defendant is represented by
11 counsel, no less than five working days prior to the date of any hearing. The
12 court, except for good cause shown as provided in subdivision (6) of this
13 subsection, must rule on a motion within 60 days from the date that the
14 hearing concludes.

15 (6) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, the court may, upon
16 request of a party to the motion, grant an extension of time to comply with
17 any deadline under this subsection, not to exceed 30 days. No subsequent
18 request by the party to extend this deadline shall be granted unless the court
19 enters a written order containing detailed findings of fact of extraordinary
20 circumstances. Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, the
21 senior resident superior court judge or chief district court judge, as
22 appropriate, may, upon request of a judge assigned to review a motion for
23 appropriate relief, grant to the assigned judge an extension of time to comply
24 with any deadline under this subsection, not to exceed 30 days. No
25 subsequent request by the assigned judge to extend this deadline shall be
26 granted unless the senior resident superior court judge or the chief district
27 court judge, as appropriate, enters a written order containing detailed
28 findings of fact of extraordinary circumstances. The failure of the court to
29 comply with the deadlines under this subsection is grounds for any party to
30 petition the senior resident superior court judge or the chief district court
31 judge, as appropriate, to reassign the motion of appropriate relief to a
32 different judge empowered to act upon a motion for appropriate relief. The
33 failure of the court to comply with the deadlines under this subsection also
34 entitles any party to the motion for appropriate relief to seek a writ of
35 mandamus to obtain compliance with the deadline.

36 (7) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, failure to meet a
37 deadline under this subsection is not a ground for the summary granting of a
38 motion for appropriate relief or other summary relief, including without
39 limitation, ordering the release of the prisoner.

40 (b3) Capital Cases. – Review and Calendaring of Motion. – In capital cases, the judge
41 shall review the motion and enter an order directing the State to file its answer within 60 days
42 of the date of the order. If a hearing is necessary, the judge shall calendar the case for hearing
43 without unnecessary delay.

44 (c) Hearings, Showing of Prejudice; Findings.

45 (1) Any party is entitled to a hearing on questions of law or fact arising from the
46 motion and any supporting or opposing information presented unless the
47 court determines that the motion is without merit. The court must determine,
48 on the basis of these materials and the requirements of this subsection,
49 whether an evidentiary hearing is required to resolve questions of fact. Upon
50 the motion of either party, the judge may direct the attorneys for the parties
51 to appear before him for a conference on any prehearing matter in the case.

- 1 (2) An evidentiary hearing is not required when the motion is made in the trial
2 court pursuant to G.S. 15A-1414, but the court may hold an evidentiary
3 hearing if it is appropriate to resolve questions of fact.
- 4 (3) The court must determine the motion without an evidentiary hearing when
5 the motion and supporting and opposing information present only questions
6 of law. The defendant has no right to be present at such a hearing where only
7 questions of law are to be argued.
- 8 (4) If the court cannot rule upon the motion without the hearing of evidence, it
9 must conduct a hearing for the taking of evidence, and must make findings
10 of fact. The defendant has a right to be present at the evidentiary hearing and
11 to be represented by counsel. A waiver of the right to be present must be in
12 writing.
- 13 (5) If an evidentiary hearing is held, the moving party has the burden of proving
14 by a preponderance of the evidence every fact essential to support the
15 motion.
- 16 (6) A defendant who seeks relief by motion for appropriate relief must show the
17 existence of the asserted ground for relief. Relief must be denied unless
18 prejudice appears, in accordance with G.S. 15A-1443.
- 19 (7) The court must rule upon the motion and enter its order accordingly. When
20 the motion is based upon an asserted violation of the rights of the defendant
21 under the Constitution or laws or treaties of the United States, the court must
22 make and enter conclusions of law and a statement of the reasons for its
23 determination to the extent required, when taken with other records and
24 transcripts in the case, to indicate whether the defendant has had a full and
25 fair hearing on the merits of the grounds so asserted.
- 26 (d) Action on Court's Own Motion. – At any time that a defendant would be entitled to
27 relief by motion for appropriate relief, the court may grant such relief upon its own motion. The
28 court must cause appropriate notice to be given to the parties.

29 (e) Nothing in this section shall prevent the parties to the action from entering into an
30 agreement for appropriate relief, including an agreement as to any aspect, procedural or
31 otherwise, of a motion for appropriate relief."

32 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 20-13.3 reads as rewritten:

33 **"§ 20-13.3. Immediate civil license revocation for provisional licensees charged with**
34 **certain offenses.**

35 (a) Definitions. — As used in this section, the following words and phrases have the
36 following meanings:

- 37 (1) Clerk. — As defined in G.S. 15A-101(2).
- 38 (2) Criminal moving violation. — A violation of Part 9 or 10 of Article 3 of this
39 Chapter which is punishable as a misdemeanor or a felony offense. This
40 term does not include the offenses listed in the third paragraph of
41 G.S. 20-16(c) for which no points are assessed, nor does it include
42 equipment violations specified in Part 9 of Article 3 of this Chapter.
- 43 (3) Judicial official. — As defined in G.S. 15A-101(5).
- 44 (4) Provisional licensee. — A person under the age of 18 who has a limited
45 learner's permit, a limited provisional license, or a full provisional license
46 issued pursuant to G.S. 20-11.
- 47 (5) Revocation report. — A sworn statement by a law enforcement officer
48 containing facts indicating that the conditions of subsection (b) of this
49 section have been met.

50 (b) Revocations for Provisional Licensees Charged With Criminal Moving Violation.
51 — A provisional licensee's permit or license is subject to revocation under this section if a law

1 enforcement officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the provisional licensee has
2 committed a criminal moving violation, the provisional licensee is charged with that offense,
3 and the provisional licensee is not subject to a civil revocation pursuant to G.S. 20-16.5.

4 (c) Duty of Law Enforcement Officers to Notify Provisional Licensee and Report to
5 Judicial Officials. — If a provisional licensee's permit or license is subject to revocation under
6 this section, the law enforcement officer must execute a revocation report ~~and must take the~~
7 ~~provisional licensee before a judicial official for an initial appearance report.~~ It is the specific
8 duty of the law enforcement officer to make sure that the report is expeditiously filed with a
9 judicial official as required by this section. If no initial appearance is required on the underlying
10 criminal moving violation at the time of the issuance of the charge, the law enforcement officer
11 must verbally notify the provisional licensee that the provisional licensee's permit or license is
12 subject to revocation pursuant to this section and must provide the provisional licensee with a
13 written form containing notice of the process for revocation and hearing under this section.

14 (c1) Which Judicial Official Must Receive Report. – The judicial official with whom the
15 revocation report must be filed is:

16 (1) The judicial official conducting the initial appearance on the underlying
17 criminal moving violation.

18 (2) The clerk of superior court in the county in which the underlying criminal
19 charge has been brought if no initial appearance is required.

20 (d) ~~Judicial Official Must Receive Report; Procedure Upon Receipt of~~
21 ~~Report.~~ Procedure If Report Filed With Judicial Official When Provisional Licensee Is Present.
22 — ~~The~~ If an initial appearance is required, the law enforcement officer must file the revocation
23 report with the judicial official conducting the initial appearance on the underlying criminal
24 moving violation. If a properly executed revocation report concerning a provisional licensee is
25 filed with a judicial official when the person is present before that official, the judicial official
26 shall, after completing any other proceedings involving the provisional licensee, determine
27 whether there is probable cause to believe that the conditions of subsection (b) of this section
28 have been met. If the judicial official determines there is such probable cause, the judicial
29 official shall enter an order revoking the provisional licensee's permit or license. In addition to
30 setting it out in the order, the judicial official shall personally inform the provisional licensee of
31 the right to a hearing as specified in subsection (d2) of this section and that the provisional
32 licensee's permit or license remains revoked pending the hearing. The period of revocation is
33 for 30 days and begins at the time the revocation order is issued and continues for 30 additional
34 calendar days. The judicial official shall give the provisional licensee a copy of the revocation
35 order, which shall include the beginning date of the revocation and shall clearly state the final
36 day of the revocation period and the date on which the provisional licensee's permit or license
37 will again become valid. The provisional licensee shall not be required to surrender the
38 provisional licensee's permit or license; however, the provisional licensee shall not be
39 authorized to drive at any time or for any purpose during the period of revocation.

40 (d1) Procedure If Report Filed With Clerk of Court When Provisional Licensee Not
41 Present. – When a clerk receives a properly executed report under subdivision (2) of subsection
42 (c1) of this section and the provisional licensee named in the revocation report is not present
43 before the clerk, the clerk shall determine whether there is probable cause to believe that the
44 conditions of subsection (b) of this section have been met. If the clerk determines there is such
45 probable cause, the clerk shall mail to the provisional licensee a revocation order by first-class
46 mail. The order shall inform the provisional licensee that the period of revocation is for 30
47 days, that the revocation becomes effective on the fourth day after the order is deposited in the
48 United States mail and continues for 30 additional calendar days, of the right to a hearing as
49 specified in subsection (d2) of this section, and that the revocation remains in effect pending
50 the hearing. The provisional licensee shall not be required to surrender the provisional

1 licensee's permit or license; however, the provisional licensee shall not be authorized to drive at
2 any time or for any purpose during the period of revocation.

3 (d2) Hearing Before Magistrate or Judge If Provisional Licensee Contests Validity of
4 Revocation. – A provisional licensee whose permit or license is revoked under this section may
5 request in writing a hearing to contest the validity of the revocation. The request may be made
6 at the time of the person's initial appearance, or within 10 days of the effective date of the
7 revocation to the clerk or a magistrate designated by the clerk, and may specifically request that
8 the hearing be conducted by a district court judge. The Administrative Office of the Courts
9 must develop a hearing request form for any provisional licensee requesting a hearing. Unless a
10 district court judge is requested, the hearing must be conducted within the county by a
11 magistrate assigned by the chief district court judge to conduct such hearings. If the provisional
12 licensee requests that a district court judge hold the hearing, the hearing must be conducted
13 within the district court district as defined in G.S. 7A-133 by a district court judge assigned to
14 conduct such hearings. The revocation remains in effect pending the hearing, but the hearing
15 must be held within three working days following the request if the hearing is before a
16 magistrate or within five working days if the hearing is before a district court judge. The
17 request for the hearing must specify the grounds upon which the validity of the revocation is
18 challenged, and the hearing must be limited to the grounds specified in the request. A witness
19 may submit his evidence by affidavit unless he is subpoenaed to appear. Any person who
20 appears and testifies is subject to questioning by the judicial official conducting the hearing,
21 and the judicial official may adjourn the hearing to seek additional evidence if he is not
22 satisfied with the accuracy or completeness of evidence. The provisional licensee contesting the
23 validity of the revocation may, but is not required to, testify in his own behalf. Unless contested
24 by the person requesting the hearing, the judicial official may accept as true any matter stated
25 in the revocation report. If any relevant condition under subsection (b) of this section is
26 contested, the judicial official must find by the greater weight of the evidence that the condition
27 was met in order to sustain the revocation. At the conclusion of the hearing, the judicial official
28 must enter an order sustaining or rescinding the revocation. The judicial official's findings are
29 without prejudice to the provisional licensee contesting the revocation and to any other
30 potential party as to any other proceedings, civil or criminal, that may involve facts bearing
31 upon the conditions in subsection (b) of this section considered by the judicial official. The
32 decision of the judicial official is final and may not be appealed in the General Court of Justice.
33 If the hearing is not held and completed within three working days of the written request for a
34 hearing before a magistrate or within five working days of the written request for a hearing
35 before a district court judge, the judicial official must enter an order rescinding the revocation,
36 unless the provisional licensee contesting the revocation contributed to the delay in completing
37 the hearing. If the provisional licensee requesting the hearing fails to appear at the hearing or
38 any rescheduling thereof after having been properly notified, the provisional licensee forfeits
39 his right to a hearing.

40 (e) Report to Division. — The clerk shall notify the Division of the issuance of a
41 revocation order pursuant to this section within two business days of the issuance of the
42 revocation order. The notification shall identify the person whose provisional license has been
43 revoked and specify the beginning and end date of the revocation period.

44 (f) Effect of Revocations. — A revocation under this section revokes a provisional
45 licensee's privilege to drive in North Carolina. Revocations under this section are independent
46 of and run concurrently with any other revocations, except for a revocation pursuant to
47 G.S. 20-16.5. Any civil revocation issued pursuant to G.S. 20-16.5 for the same underlying
48 conduct as a revocation under this section shall have the effect of terminating a revocation
49 pursuant to this section. No court imposing a period of revocation following conviction for an
50 offense involving impaired driving may give credit for any period of revocation imposed under

1 this section. A person whose license is revoked pursuant to this section is not eligible to receive
2 a limited driving privilege.

3 (g) Designation of Proceedings. — Proceedings under this section are civil actions and
4 must be identified by the caption "In the Matter of _____" and filed as directed by the
5 Administrative Office of the Courts.

6 (h) No drivers license points or insurance surcharge shall be assessed for a revocation
7 pursuant to this section. Possession of a drivers license revoked pursuant to this section shall
8 not be a violation of G.S. 20-30.

9 (i) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall adopt forms to implement this
10 section."

11 **SECTION 4.** Section 5 of S.L. 2011-236 reads as rewritten:

12 **"SECTION 5.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2011, and applies to agreements
13 executed on or after that date. Agreements executed prior to October 1, 2011, remain subject to
14 the laws in effect at the time the parties executed the ~~agreement~~agreement; differences in
15 wording between procedures authorized to establish agreements under the laws repealed by this
16 act and under the superseding laws enacted by this act clarify the permitted procedures under
17 the repealed laws."

18 **SECTION 5.(a)** G.S. 148-77 is repealed.

19 **SECTION 5.(b)** G.S. 143B-600(a) reads as rewritten:

20 "(a) There is established the Department of Public Safety. The head of the Department of
21 Public Safety is the Secretary of Public Safety, who shall be known as the Secretary. The
22 Department shall consist of six divisions and an Office of External Affairs as follows:

23 ...

24 (6) The Division of Administration, the head of which shall be a deputy
25 secretary responsible for all administrative functions, including fiscal,
26 auditing, information technology, purchasing, human resources, training,
27 engineering, and facility management functions for the Department. Within
28 the Division, there is established a Grants Management Section, which shall
29 consist of the Governor's Crime Commission, the Criminal Justice
30 Partnership Program, and the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Fund.
31 There is also established within the Division a Research and Planning
32 Section responsible for statistics, research, and planning to facilitate regular
33 improvement in the structure, administration, and programs of the
34 Department of Public Safety. The Research and Planning Section may
35 cooperate with and seek the cooperation of public and private agencies,
36 institutions, officials, and individuals in the development and conduct of
37 programs to compile and analyze statistics and to conduct research in
38 criminology and correction. The Research and Planning Section shall be the
39 single State agency responsible for the coordination and implementation of
40 ex-offender reentry initiatives.

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42 **SECTION 5.(c)** During the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the Research and Planning
43 Section of the Department of Public Safety shall work with local communities to form up to 10,
44 but not less than three, local reentry councils to develop comprehensive local reentry plans, to
45 document and maximize the use of existing services, and to supervise and coordinate
46 innovative responses to the reintegration of ex-offenders at the local level. The Section shall
47 also form a State-level advisory group with broad representation of involved State agency
48 leadership, service providers, and program recipients.

49 **SECTION 6.** Section 11 of S.L. 2011-19, as amended by Section 9 of S.L.
50 2011-307, reads as rewritten:

1 "SECTION 11. Sections 1 through 5 and Sections 9 through 11 are effective when this act
2 becomes law, and Section 6 becomes effective July 1, 2011. Sections 7 and 8 of this act are
3 effective when they become law, however, until ~~October 1, 2012~~, July 1, 2013, the provisions of
4 those sections shall apply only to the North Carolina State Crime Laboratory, and on or after
5 ~~October 1, 2012~~, July 1, 2013, the provisions of Sections 7 and 8 shall apply to all laboratories
6 conducting forensic or chemical analysis for admission in the courts of this State. Nothing in
7 this act is intended to amend or modify either the statutory or common law applicable to
8 discovery in criminal cases which was applicable prior to the effective date of this act.
9 Prosecutions for offenses committed before the effective date of this act are not abated or
10 affected by this act, and the statutes that would be applicable but for this act remain applicable
11 to those prosecutions."

12 "SECTION 7. Section 1 of this act becomes effective September 1, 2012, and
13 applies to offenses committed on or after that date. Section 2 of this act becomes effective
14 December 1, 2012, and applies to motions for appropriate relief pending, and for which no
15 answer has been filed, or filed on or after that date. Section 3 of this act becomes effective
16 October 1, 2012, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date. The remainder of this
17 act is effective when it becomes law.