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SENATE BILL 723

Short Title: DAC Exemption from State Device Content Ban. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Alexander and Galey (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 26, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT EXEMPTING DEPARTMENT OF ADULT CORRECTION'S INVESTIGATIONS
FROM STATE DEVICE CONTENT PROHIBITION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 143-805 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143-805. Prohibit viewing of pornography on government networks and devices.

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(d) Subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall not apply to an official or employee that is engaged in any of the following activities in the course of that official's or employee's official duties:

- (1) Investigating or prosecuting crimes, offering or participating in law enforcement training, or performing actions related to other law enforcement purposes.
- (2) Identifying potential security or cybersecurity threats.
- (3) Protecting human life.
- (4) Establishing, testing, and maintaining firewalls, protocols, and otherwise implementing this section.
- (5) Participating in judicial or quasi-judicial proceedings.
- (6) Conducting or participating in an externally funded research project at one of the constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina.
- (7) Researching issues related to the drafting or analysis of the laws of this State as necessary to fulfill the requirements of the employee's official duties.
- (8) Investigating matters involving offenders incarcerated with, or otherwise under the supervision of, the Department of Adult Correction, or matters related to the misuse of devices owned by the Department of Adult Correction.

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SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to investigations performed before, on, or after that date.



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