

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1273

Short Title: Modify Jailkeeper Liability.

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Sponsors: Representative Dawkins.

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Referred to: Judiciary.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LAW GOVERNING THE LIABILITY OF THE  
3 KEEPER OF A JAIL FOR INJURIES TO PRISONERS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 162-55 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 162-55. Injury to prisoner by jailer.**

7 If the keeper of a jail or any jailer shall intentionally do, or cause to be done, any  
8 wrong or injury to the prisoners committed to his custody, contrary to law, he the keeper,  
9 if he caused the injury, or the jailer who caused the injury shall not only personally pay  
10 treble damages to the person injured, injured, but shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

11 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.