## NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

**BILL NUMBER**: SB 438 < 1<sup>st</sup> Edition>

**SHORT TITLE**: No DWI on School Grounds

**SPONSOR(S)**: Senators Garrou, Horton; et al.

## FISCAL IMPACT

Yes () No () No Estimate Available (X)

FY 2001-02 FY 2002-03 FY 2003-04 FY 2004-05 FY 2005-06

#### **REVENUES**

#### **EXPENDITURES**

Department of Correction – No impact expected Judicial Branch – No estimate available but a significant impact not expected

POSITIONS: 0

### PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) &

PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Judicial Branch and Dept. of Correction

**EFFECTIVE DATE**: This act becomes effective December 1, 2001, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

#### **BILL SUMMARY:**

Expands the scope of GS 20-138.1(a) to prohibit impaired driving on "any school grounds." In addition, the bill amends G.S. 20-4.01 by adding a new subsection (39a), which defines "school grounds."

### ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

# **Judicial Branch**

According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, they have no data available from which to estimate the number of additional charges that will result from this bill or the impact on the court system. They do feel, however, that the expansion of G.S. 20-138(a) will probably not produce a significant number of new cases.

# **Department of Corrections**

Driving while impaired is a misdemeanor offense. Therefore, the proposed expansion to include offenses that occur on school grounds would not be expected to have a significant impact on the prison population.

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS**: None

FISCAL RESEARCH DIVISION: 733-4910

**PREPARED BY**: Lisa Robinson

**APPROVED BY**: James D. Johnson

**DATE**: March 29, 2001

Official 2

Fiscal Research Division Publication

Signed Copy Located in the NCGA Principal Clerk's Offices