GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

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HOUSE DRH30183-LB-205 (03/01)

Short Title: False Reports to Law Enforcement. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Blust.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE FELONIOUS CERTAIN FALSE REPORTS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 14-225 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-225. False reports to law enforcement agencies or officers.

- (a) For purposes of this section, the term "official inquiry" means the pursuit of an investigative matter by a sworn agent of the State Bureau of Investigation pursuant to a statutorily authorized request from the Governor or the Attorney General, assistance rendered in accordance with G.S. 114-14, or an investigation being conducted as a matter of original jurisdiction conferred upon the State Bureau of Investigation by North Carolina law.
- (b) Any person who shall willfully make or cause to be made to a law enforcement agency or officer any false, misleading or unfounded report, for the purpose of interfering with the operation of a law enforcement agency, or to hinder or obstruct any law enforcement officer in the performance of his duty, shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.
- (c) In response to an official inquiry by a sworn agent of the State Bureau of Investigation who is investigating a Class A, B, C, D, E, F, or G felony, any person who shall willfully do any of the following is guilty of a Class H felony:
 - (1) Falsify or conceal by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact.
 - (2) Make any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation.
 - (3) Use any false writing or document knowing the writing or document to contain any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry."

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective December 1, 2007, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date. The remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law.

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