

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 889
HOUSE BILL 1220

1 AN ACT TO PROTECT PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED OR MENTALLY RETARDED
2 DEPENDENTS BY REQUIRING THEIR PARENTS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL
3 SUPPORT AFTER THE EIGHTEENTH BIRTHDAY.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:
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7 **Section 1.** Article 40 of Chapter 14 of the North Carolina General Statutes is
8 hereby amended by adding a new section, to be designated G.S. 14-322.2, as follows:

9 "**G.S. 14-322.2. Failure to support handicapped dependent.** If any father or mother shall
10 wilfully fail and refuse to provide support for a physically handicapped child or a mentally
11 retarded child who becomes eighteen years of age and who is unable to be self-supporting, then
12 the parent shall be guilty of a misdemeanor; failure to provide such support shall be a
13 continuing offense after the eighteenth birthday and after the child reaches his majority until
14 such time as the physically handicapped or mentally retarded dependent is able to become self-
15 supporting."

16 **Sec. 2.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

17 **Sec. 3.** This Act shall be effective July 1, 1969.

18 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 16th day of June,
19 1969.