GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 477 SENATE BILL 701

AN ACT TO MAKE UNLAWFUL THE IMPERSONATION OF CITY, COUNTY OR STATE EMPLOYEES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-277 of Article 35 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 2. Said statute shall be entitled "Impersonation of Public Officers."

Sec. 3. The present language of G.S. 14-277 shall be denominated G.S. 14-(a).

277(a).

Sec. 4. A new subsection (b) to read as follows is hereby enacted:

"(b) It shall be unlawful for any person other than duly authorized employees of a county, a municipality or the State of North Carolina, including but not limited to, the Department of Social Services, Health, or Mental Health or Building Inspector to represent to any person that they are duly authorized employees of a county, a municipality or the State of North Carolina or one of the above enumerated departments and acting upon such representation to perform any act, make any investigation, seek access to otherwise confidential information, perform any duty of said office, gain access to any place not otherwise open to the public, or seek to be afforded any privilege which would otherwise not be afforded to such person except for such false representation or make any attempt to do any of said enumerated acts. Any person, corporation, or business association violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction may be fined or imprisoned at the discretion of the court."

Sec. 5. This act shall become effective October 1, 1985.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 26th day of June, 1985.