

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 606  
HOUSE BILL 591

AN ACT TO MAKE THE CONTENTS OF THE CLERK'S CRIMINAL RECORD  
INDEX ADMISSIBLE TO PROVE PRIOR MISDEMEANOR CONVICTIONS  
WHEN THE ORIGINAL JUDGMENTS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 8 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

**"§ 8-35.2. Records of clerk of court criminal index admissible in certain cases.**— Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 15A- 924(d) or 15A-1340.4(e), certified copies of the records contained in the criminal index or similar records maintained manually or by automatic data processing equipment by the clerk of superior court, are admissible as prima facie evidence of any prior convictions of the person named in the records, if the original documents upon which the records are based have been destroyed pursuant to law. The index must contain at least the following information:

1. The case file number;
2. The name, sex, and race of the defendant;
3. His address;
4. His driver's license number, if the conviction is for a motor vehicle offense and the number is available;
5. The date of birth of the defendant, if it is available;
6. The offense for which he was charged and the date of same;
7. The disposition of the charge and the date of same;
8. Whether the defendant was indigent;
9. Whether he was represented by an attorney, and if so, the name of the attorney;
10. Whether the defendant waived his right to an attorney, and 11. The name and address of any victim, if available."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1985.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 4th day of July, 1985.