GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 355 HOUSE BILL 145

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE MAGISTRATE'S JURISDICTION TO ACCEPT GUILTY PLEAS FOR WORTHLESS CHECKS OF NOT MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

- Section 1. G.S. 7A-273 is amended by rewriting subdivision (8) as follows:
- "(8) To accept written appearances, waivers of trial and pleas of guilty in violations of G.S. 14-107 when the amount of the check is one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or less, restitution is made, and the warrant does not charge a fourth or subsequent violation of this statute, and in these cases to enter judgments as the chief district judge directs."
- Sec. 2. G.S. 7A-273(6) is amended by deleting the phrase "five hundred dollars (\$500.00)" and substituting "one thousand dollars (\$1,000)".
- Sec. 3. G.S. 7A-180(8) is amended by deleting the phrase "four hundred dollars (\$400.00)" and substituting "one thousand dollars (\$1,000)".
- Sec. 4. G.S. 15A-1011(a)(6) is amended by deleting the phrase "the amount of the check is three hundred dollars (\$300.00) or less" and substituting "the check is in an amount provided in G.S. 7A-273(8)".
- Sec. 5. This act is effective October 1, 1987, and applies to pleas entered on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 12th day of June, 1987.