GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 410 HOUSE BILL 695

AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE REQUIRING THE DESTRUCTION OF HYPODERMIC NEEDLES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 90-113.4A is rewritten to read:

"(a) It shall be unlawful for any firm, organization, corporation, hospital, or medical clinic, or their agents or employees to discard a hypodermic syringe or needle unless such instrument is unbroken and placed in an incinerator or in a hardwalled container and disposed of in a sanitary landfill. Provided, however, that any such instrument that is accidentally broken shall be disposed of in a like manner.

(b) This section shall not apply to the discarding of such instruments after personal use by individuals who are under the care of a physician.

(c) Further, this section shall not apply to the discarding of such instruments after the use for the treatment of livestock.

(d) Violation of this section shall be a general misdemeanor."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1987.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 18th day of June, 1987.