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HOUSE BILL 1243

Short Title: Assault/Serious Bodily Injury.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Justus; Thompson and Sexton.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

May 20, 1996

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW FELONY OFFENSE OF ASSAULT INFLECTING
SERIOUS BODILY INJURY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA
SENTENCING AND POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 14-32.4. Assault inflicting serious bodily injury.

Unless the conduct is covered under some other provision of law providing greater punishment, any person who assaults another person and inflicts serious bodily injury is guilty of a Class F felony. 'Serious bodily injury' is defined as bodily injury that creates a substantial risk of death, or that causes serious permanent disfigurement, coma, a permanent or protracted condition that causes extreme pain, or permanent or protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily member or organ, or that results in prolonged hospitalization."

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 1996, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.