## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1997 SESSION

## S.L. 1997-15 HOUSE BILL 139

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION LAW TO CLARIFY THAT PERSONS CONVICTED OF SEX OFFENSES IN FEDERAL COURT AND OTHER STATES ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-208.6(2) reads as rewritten:

- "(2) 'Penal institution' means a means:
  - <u>a.</u> <u>A</u> detention facility operated under the jurisdiction of the Division of Prisons of the Department of Correction, or a county jail. Correction;
  - <u>b.</u> A detention facility operated under the jurisdiction of another state or the federal government; or
  - <u>c.</u> <u>A detention facility operated by a local government in this State or another state."</u>

Section 2. G.S. 14-208.6(4) reads as rewritten:

- "(4) 'Reportable conviction' means:
  - a. A final conviction for violation of G.S. 14-27.2 (first degree rape), 14-27.3 (second degree rape), 14-27.4 (first degree sexual offense), 14-27.5 (second degree sexual offense), 14-27.6 (attempted rape or sexual offense), 14-27.7 (intercourse and sexual offense with certain victims), 14-178 (incest between near relatives), 14-190.6 (employing or permitting minor to assist in offenses against public morality and decency), 14-190.16 (first degree sexual exploitation of a minor), 14-190.17 (second degree sexual exploitation of a minor), 14-190.18 (promoting prostitution of a minor), 14-190.19 (participating in prostitution of a minor), or 14-202.1 (taking indecent liberties with children).
  - b. A final conviction in another state of an offense, which if committed in this State, would have been a sex offense as defined by the sections of the General Statutes set forth in paragraph a. of this subdivision.

c. A final conviction in a federal jurisdiction of an offense which is substantially similar to an offense set forth in paragraph a. of this subdivision."

Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to all persons convicted on or after that date and to all persons released from a penal institution on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 25th day of March, 1997.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

s/ Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ James B. Hunt, Jr. Governor

Approved 3:00 p.m. this 3rd day of April, 1997