

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

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**HOUSE BILL 1733**

Short Title: Expedite Death Penalty Cases.

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Sponsors: Representatives Eddins; Aldridge, Capps, Warner, and Watson.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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June 1, 1998

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT TO REQUEST THE NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT TO  
CONSIDER AND ADOPT RULES TO EXPEDITE APPEALS FROM CAPITAL  
CASES THAT INCLUDE A SENTENCE OF DEATH.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The General Assembly requests the North Carolina Supreme Court to consider and adopt rules to expedite appeals from all cases in which the defendant is convicted of murder in the first degree and the judgment of the superior court includes a sentence of death.

Section 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Judicial Department the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to implement rules adopted by the Supreme Court that expedite appeals from first degree murder cases that include a sentence of death.

Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.