GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 1999

SESSION LAW 1999-298 SENATE BILL 852

AN ACT TO MAKE DEFENDANTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A DRUG TREATMENT COURT PROGRAM ELIGIBLE FOR DEFERRED PROSECUTION, AND TO AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION IN A DRUG TREATMENT COURT PROGRAM AS A SPECIAL CONDITION OF PROBATION FOR CONVICTED DEFENDANTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 15A-1341 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(a2) Deferred Prosecution for Purpose of Drug Treatment Court Program. – A defendant eligible for a Drug Treatment Court Program pursuant to Article 62 of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes may be placed on probation if the court finds that prosecution has been deferred by the prosecutor, with the approval of the court, pursuant to a written agreement with the defendant, for the purpose of allowing the defendant to participate in and successfully complete the Drug Treatment Court Program."

Section 2. G.S. 15A-1343(b1) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(2b) Participate in and successfully complete a Drug Treatment Court Program pursuant to Article 62 of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes."

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 7th day of July, 1999.

s/ Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ James B. Black Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ James B. Hunt, Jr. Governor

Approved 10:35 p.m. this 14th day of July, 1999