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SENATE BILL 916

Short Title: Inmate Community Service Credit.

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Sponsors: Senator Block.

Referred to: Judiciary I.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SENTENCING JUDGE AN INMATE MAY PERFORM COMMUNITY SERVICE ON A FULL-TIME BASIS AND RECEIVE CREDIT AT THE RATE OF ONE DAY DEDUCTED FROM HIS PRISON OR JAIL TERM FOR EACH EIGHT HOURS OF SUCH SERVICE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 15A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

**§ 15A-1340.8. Credit for performance of community service.**

Upon recommendation of the sentencing judge, a prisoner committed to the Department of Correction or a jail to serve a sentence for a felony shall receive credit for the performance of community service under the supervision of a probation/parole officer at the rate of one day deducted from his prison or jail term for each eight hours of such performance.

The Secretary of Correction shall promulgate rules regarding the receipt of credit under this section. Copies of these rules shall be distributed by the Department of Correction to all inmates recommended for community service credit under this section. The probation/parole officer and the community service coordinator shall develop a program of community service for the inmate. The community service coordinator shall report any willful failure to perform community service work or any conduct in violation of the rules developed by the Secretary of Correction to the probation/parole officer. Credit may be withheld from any inmate who willfully fails to perform community service work as directed by a community service coordinator. If the

1 Secretary of Correction or his designee finds that an inmate has willfully violated the  
2 rules established for the receipt of community service credit, he may exercise discretion  
3 to revoke that inmate's eligibility for further community service credit."

4           Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989.