NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: HB 280 (Senate action: 6/28/95)

SHORT TITLE: Limit the Sale of Some Pyrotechnics

SPONSOR(S): Representatives Ellis and Easterling

FISCAL IMPACT: Expenditures: Increase () Decrease ()

Revenues: Increase () Decrease ()

No Impact (X)

BILL SUMMARY: "TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF CERTAIN PYROTECHNICS IN NORTH CAROLINA." G.S. 14-414 now contains a list of six types of pyrotechnics that are exempt from the general prohibition against possession, sale, or use of fireworks in North Carolina. This bill deletes all of them except explosive caps for toy pistols.

AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES-APRIL 24, 1995-DAILY BULLETIN #51 House committee substitute replaces 1st edition. Amends G.S. 14-410 to prohibit the sale of certain pyrotechnics to persons under the age of sixteen. Adds new G.S. 113-60.3 to makes it a Class 2 misdemeanor to discharge a pyrotechnic (except pursuant to permit issued under G.S. 14-413 and not including explosives or signaling flares used in ordinary course of business or shell or cartridges used as ammunition in firearms) within 100 feet of woodlands. Amends title accordingly.

AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTES-JUNE 28, 1995-DAILY BULLETIN #89 Senate action amends 2nd edition, deleting provisions relating to discharge of pyrotechnics in or near woodlands and changing the bill's title accordingly.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 1, 1995; applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S)/PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Judicial Branch;
Department of Correction

FISCAL IMPACT

FY 95-96 **FY** 96-97 **FY** 97-98 **FY** 98-99 **FY** 99-00

EXPENDITURES
NON-RECURRING

RECURRING NO FISCAL IMPACT

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: The Administrative Office of the Courts does not anticipate that the proposed legislation (Senate action: 6/28/95) would result in many new filings. Thus, no substantial impact is expected for the Judicial Branch or the Department of Correction at this time.

SOURCES OF DATA: Administrative Office of the Courts; North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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