### NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

**BILL NUMBER:** House Bill 175

**SHORT TITLE:** Structured Sentencing Technical Amendments

**SPONSOR(S):** Representative Neely

### FISCAL IMPACT

Yes ( ) No (X) No Estimate Available ( )

(in millions)

FY 1997-98 FY 1998-99 FY 1999-00 FY 2000-01 FY 2001-02

GENERAL FUND

Correction

Recurring Nonrecurring

No Fiscal Impact – Only Makes Technical Changes

Judicial

Recurring Nonrecurring

# TOTAL EXPENDITURES

**POSITIONS:** It is anticipated that approximately 0 positions would be needed to supervise the additional inmates housed under this bill. This is based on inmate to employee ratios, provided by the Division of Prisons, for close, medium, and minimum custody facilities (These position totals include security, program, and administrative personnel.).

Close – 2 to 1 Medium – 3 to 1 Minimum – 4 to 1

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Dept. of Correction; Judicial Branch

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Applies to offenses committed on or after December 1, 1997.

**BILL SUMMARY:** Makes several technical changes to Structured Sentencing as recommended by the Sentencing Commission.

**ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:** Department of Correction

This legislation attempts to clarify structured sentencing by making several technical changes to existing language. This bill does not affect the prison population and, therefore, has no fiscal impact on the Department of Correction.

SOURCES OF DATA: Department of Correction, Judicial Branch; North Carolina Sentencing and Policy **Advisory Commission** 

## **TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

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