

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2005**

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**HOUSE BILL 1311**

Short Title: Domestic Violence Victims Empowerment Act. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Hilton, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Frye, Grady, Howard, Justus, McGee, Moore, Preston, Ray, Setzer, Sherrill, Steen, Vinson, Walend, Walker, and Wilson.

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Referred to: Judiciary III.

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April 20, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT ALLOWING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS TO OBTAIN A  
2 TEMPORARY CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT UPON SHOWING PROOF  
3 OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED UNDER CHAPTER 50B OF THE  
4 GENERAL STATUTES IN ORDER TO EMPOWER DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
5 VICTIMS TO PROTECT THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES.  
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7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-415.15 is amended by adding the following new  
9 subsection to read:

10 "(b1) Upon presentment to the sheriff of the items required under  
11 G.S. 14-415.13(a)(1), (2), and (3), and proof of a protective order issued under  
12 G.S. 50B-3 for the protection of the applicant, the sheriff shall issue a temporary permit  
13 within 24 hours. The permit shall remain in effect for the duration of the protective  
14 order and its renewal. The applicant shall have 30 days from the date the permit is  
15 issued to receive training on use of the handgun. If the applicant has not received  
16 training after the 30-day period, the sheriff may revoke the permit."

17 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 50B-3 is amended by adding the following new  
18 subsection to read:

19 "(c1) Upon issuance of a protective order under this Chapter, the judge who issues  
20 the protective order shall inform the plaintiff of his or her rights under  
21 G.S. 14-415.15(b1)."

22 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2005, and applies to  
23 orders issued on or after that date.