

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2017

S

1

SENATE BILL 492

Short Title: T & U Visa/Fees. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Sanderson (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 30, 2017

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT COMPLETION OF T AND U VISA VERIFICATIONS IS
3 DISCRETIONARY ON THE PART OF LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND TO
4 AUTHORIZE A FEE.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 64 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
7 Article to read:

8 "Article 3.

9 "T and U Visa Verification.

10 **"§ 64-49. Authority of certifying agencies.**

11 (a) Except as otherwise provided by federal law, nothing shall limit a local certifying
12 agency's discretion to complete a law enforcement certification for an applicant for a T or U
13 visa.

14 (b) As used in this section, the term "local certifying agency" means any of the
15 following:

16 (1) A sheriff.

17 (2) The chief law enforcement officer for a city or county police department.

18 (3) A district attorney.

19 (3) A superior or district court judge.

20 (c) A local certifying agency shall charge the applicant the fee established in
21 G.S. 7A-322 for completion of the certification."

22 **SECTION 2.** Article 28 of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes is amended by
23 adding a new section to read:

24 **"§ 7A-322. Uniform fee for completion of law enforcement T and U visa certification.**

25 A local certifying agency shall charge an applicant a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for
26 completing a form I-914 Supplement B or a form I-918 Supplement B. The term local
27 certifying agency is as defined in G.S. 64-49(b)."

28 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2017.

