## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## **SESSION 1989**

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HOUSE BILL 501

Short Title: Harassing Call/Answering Machine.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative S. Thompson.

Referred to: Judiciary.

March 8, 1989

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO REPEATEDLY LEAVE 3 HARASSING OR THREATENING PHONE CALLS ON AN ANSWERING
- 4 MACHINE FOR THE PURPOSE OF HARASSING A PERSON.
- 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
  - Section 1. G.S. 14-196(b) reads as rewritten:

7 "(b) Any of the above offenses may be deemed to have been committed at either 8 the place at which the telephone call or calls were made or at the place where the 9 telephone call or calls were received. For purposes of this section, the term 'telephonic 10 <u>communications' shall include communications made by way of a telephone answering</u> 11 machine or recorder."

12 Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989, and shall apply to 13 offenses occurring on or after that date.

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