GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1995 SESSION

CHAPTER 258 SENATE BILL 616

AN ACT TO MAKE IT A FELONY TO MAIM, TO SERIOUSLY INJURE, OR TO KILL A LAW-ENFORCEMENT ANIMAL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-163.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-163.1. Injuring Injuring, maiming, or killing law-enforcement agency animal.

Any person who knows or has reason to know that an animal is used for lawenforcement purposes such as investigation, detection of narcotics or explosives, or crowd control, by any law-enforcement agency and who willfully and not in self defense, causes serious injury to-to, maims, or kills that animal is guilty of a Class + misdemeanor. I felony."

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 1995, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15th day of June, 1995.

Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives