GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 2007

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HOUSE DRH30133-LH-78 (02/07)

Short Title:	Felony/Steal Or Cut Another's Timber.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Sutton, Yongue, and Pierce (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:		

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR CUTTING, INJURING, OR REMOVING ANOTHER'S TIMBER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 14-135 reads as rewritten:

"**§ 14-135. Cutting, injuring, or removing another's timber.**

If any person not being the bona fide owner thereof, shall knowingly and willfully cut down, injure or remove any standing, growing or fallen tree or log, the property of another, he shall be guilty of a ~~Class 1 misdemeanor.~~Class I felony."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2007, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.