## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2013

## HOUSE BILL 25 RATIFIED BILL

## AN ACT TO AMEND THE FELONY OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-54 reads as rewritten:

## "§ 14-54. Breaking or entering buildings generally.

(a) Any person who breaks or enters any building with intent to commit any felony or larceny therein shall be punished as a Class H felon.

(a1) Any person who breaks or enters any building with intent to terrorize or injure an occupant of the building is guilty of a Class H felony.

(b) Any person who wrongfully breaks or enters any building is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

(c) As used in this section, "building" shall be construed to include any dwelling, dwelling house, uninhabited house, building under construction, building within the curtilage of a dwelling house, and any other structure designed to house or secure within it any activity or property."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2013, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

s/ Daniel J. Forest President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis Speaker of the House of Representatives

Pat McCrory Governor

Approved	m. this	day of	, 2013
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