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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT ALLOWING A COURT TO CONSIDER AS A TYPE OF RELIEF IN GRANTING  
A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER THE USE OF A GPS TRACKING  
DEVICE ON A PERSON WHO HAS COMMITTED ACTS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
AND REQUIRING THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
TO REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION AND COST IMPACT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 50B-3(a) is amended by adding the following new subdivision  
to read:

"(a) If the court, including magistrates as authorized under G.S. 50B-2(c1), finds that an  
act of domestic violence has occurred, the court shall grant a protective order restraining the  
defendant from further acts of domestic violence. A protective order may include any of the  
following types of relief:

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(9a) Order a defendant the court finds has committed an act of domestic violence  
to be subject to electronic monitoring by means of a Global Positioning  
System (GPS) tracking device or other similar device that sends a signal  
indicating the defendant's location to both the aggrieved party and the local  
law enforcement agency when the defendant is at any prohibited location.  
The GPS tracking device or other similar device shall be worn for the period  
fixed in the order. The defendant subject to electronic monitoring pursuant to  
this subdivision shall be responsible for paying any costs associated with use  
of the device.

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**SECTION 2.** The North Carolina Department of Public Safety, in consultation  
with the North Carolina Sheriffs' Association and the North Carolina Coalition Against  
Domestic Violence, shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and  
Public Safety by April 1, 2014, with recommendations regarding implementation and any cost  
impact of allowing a court to order electronic monitoring of a defendant who has committed an  
act of domestic violence.

**SECTION 3.** Section 1 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2014, and applies to  
protective orders granted on or after that date. Section 2 of this act is effective when it becomes  
law. The remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law.



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