GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2017

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HOUSE BILL 670 Committee Substitute Favorable 4/25/17

Short Title: Protect Educational Property. (Public) Sponsors: Referred to: April 11, 2017 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE THE THREAT OF MASS VIOLENCE ON EDUCATIONAL PROPERTY OR AT AN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY A FELONY. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: SECTION 1. Article 35 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read: "§ 14-277.6. Making a threat concerning mass violence on educational property. The following definitions apply in this section: (a) Educational property. – As defined in G.S. 14-269.2. (1) **(2)** Mass violence. – As defined in G.S. 14-277.5. School. – As defined in G.S. 14-269.2. (3) A person who, by any means of communication to any person or groups of persons, makes a threat that an act of mass violence is going to occur on educational property or at a curricular or extracurricular activity sponsored by a school is guilty of a Class H felony. The threat must be made in a manner and under circumstances that a reasonable person would believe the threat credible. The court may order a person convicted under this section to pay restitution, including costs and consequential damages resulting from the disruption of the normal activity that would have otherwise occurred on the premises but for the threat, pursuant to Article 81C of Chapter 15A of the General Statutes."

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