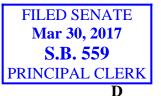
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA **SESSION 2017**



SENATE BILL DRS15120-MS-114 (03/17)

Short Title:	Fingerprinting Upon Arrest.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senators J. Jackson and Britt (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:		

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT WHEN A PERSON IS CHARGED WITH AN OFFENSE
3	WHICH REQUIRES MANDATORY FINGERPRINTING, FINGERPRINTING WILL BE
4	ORDERED BY THE COURT IF THE OFFENDER WAS NOT ARRESTED AND
5	FINGERPRINTED AT THE TIME OF THE OFFENSE.
6	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
7	SECTION 1. G.S. 15A-502 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
8	"§ 15A-502. Photographs and fingerprints.
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10	(e) Fingerprints or photographs taken pursuant to subsection (a), (a1), or (a2) of this
11	section may be forwarded to the State Bureau of Investigation, the Federal Bureau of
12	Investigation, or other law-enforcement agencies.
13	(f) If a person is charged with an offense for which fingerprints are required pursuant to
14	this section, but the person is not arrested for that offense, the court before which the charge is
15	pending shall order the defendant to submit to fingerprinting by the Sheriff or other appropriate
16	law enforcement agency at the earliest practical opportunity. If the person fails to appear for
17	fingerprinting as ordered by the court, the sheriff shall so inform the court, and the court may
18	initiate proceedings for criminal contempt against the person pursuant to G.S. 5A-15, including

- issue of an order for arrest pursuant to G.S. 5A-16, if necessary. The defendant shall continue 19 to be subject to the court's order to provide fingerprints until submitted." 20
- 21 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2017, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date. 22

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