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SENATE BILL DRS15027-ML-15A

Short Title:	Freedom to Carry NC.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senators Britt, Daniel, and Settle (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:		

1			A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT	TO PI	ROTECT A PERSON'S RIGHT TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN
3	WITH	OUT	A PERMIT AND TO CONTINUE ALLOWING PERSONS TO ACQUIRE A
4	CONC	CEALE	D HANDGUN PERMIT FOR THE PURPOSES OF RECIPROCITY OR FOR
5	ANY	OTHE	R REASON DESIRED.
6	The Gener	ral Ass	embly of North Carolina enacts:
7		SEC	FION 1. G.S. 14-269 reads as rewritten:
8	"§ 14-269	. Carr	ying concealed weapons.
9	(a)	It sha	ll be Except as otherwise provided by law, it is unlawful for any person willfully
10	and intent	ionally	to carry concealed about his or her person any bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slung
11	shot, loade	ed can	e, metallic knuckles, razor, shuriken, stun gun, or other deadly weapon of like
12	kind, exce	pt whe	en the person is on the person's own premises. For purposes of this section, the
13	<u>term "wea</u>	pon" d	oes not include a firearm.
14	(a1)	It sha	ll be unlawful for any person willfully and intentionally to carry concealed about
15	his or her	person	any pistol or gun except in the following circumstances:
16		(1)	The person is on the person's own premises.
17		(2)	The deadly weapon is a handgun, the person has a concealed handgun permit
18			issued in accordance with Article 54B of this Chapter or considered valid
19			under G.S. 14-415.24, and the person is carrying the concealed handgun in
20			accordance with the scope of the concealed handgun permit as set out in
21			G.S. 14-415.11(c).
22		(3)	The deadly weapon is a handgun and the person is a military permittee as
23			defined under G.S. 14-415.10(2a) who provides to the law enforcement
24			officer proof of deployment as required under G.S. 14-415.11(a).
25	(a2)		prohibition does not apply to a person who has a concealed handgun permit
26			lance with Article 54B of this Chapter, has a concealed handgun permit
27			l under G.S. 14-415.24, or is exempt from obtaining a permit pursuant to
28			provided the weapon is a handgun, is in a closed compartment or container
29		-	a's locked vehicle, and the vehicle is in a parking area that is owned or leased by
30	U		at. A person may unlock the vehicle to enter or exit the vehicle, provided the
31			s in the closed compartment at all times and the vehicle is locked immediately
32	U		trance or exit.
33	<u>(a3)</u>		of the exceptions listed in subsection (b) of this section include a condition that
34	-		a concealed handgun permit. In those circumstances, a person must still have a
35		-	un permit issued in accordance with Article 54B of this Chapter or considered
36	valid unde	r G.S.	14-415.24 to qualify as an exception.



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(b1)	It is a	a defense to a prosecution under this section that: if all of the t	following apply:
	(1)	The weapon was not a firearm;	<u> </u>
	(2)	The defendant was engaged in, or on the way to or from, a	n activity in which
		the defendant legitimately used the weapon; weapon.	5
	(3)	The defendant possessed the weapon for that legitimate us	e; and use.
	(4)	The defendant did not use or attempt to use the weapon for	
	• •	burden of proving this defense is on the defendant.	
(b2)		a defense to a prosecution under this section that:	
~ /	(1)	The deadly weapon is a handgun;	
	(2)	The defendant is a military permittee as defined under C	G.S. 14-415.10(2a);
		and	
	(3)	The defendant provides to the court proof of deploymen	t as defined under
	(0)	G.S. 14-415.10(3a).	• •• •• ••••••
(c)	Anv	Except as otherwise provided by law, any person violating	the provisions of
· · ·		f this section shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor. Any p	
		bsection (a1) of this section shall be guilty of a Class 2 misde	
		ass H felony for a second or subsequent offense. A violation	
		unishable under G.S. 14-415.21(a) is not punishable under th	. ,
"	F	······································	
	SEC	TION 2. Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by ac	lding a new Article
o read:	220		
		"Article 54C.	
		"Carrying Concealed Handguns.	
"8 14-41	5.35. (Carrying concealed handguns.	
(a)		ying Concealed Handgun. – Any person who is a citizen of the	e United States and
		rs old may carry a concealed handgun in this State unless pro	
aw.	2		······································
(b)	Offe	nse. – It is unlawful for a person who meets any of the follows	ing criteria to carry
a conceal			<u> </u>
	(1)	Is ineligible to own, possess, or receive a firearm under the	provisions of State
	<u> </u>	or federal law.	* * *****
	(2)	Is under indictment for a felony.	
	$\frac{(2)}{(3)}$	Has been adjudicated guilty in any court of a felony, unle	ess (i) the felony is
	<u></u>	an offense that pertains to antitrust violations, unfair trade	
		of trade, or other similar offenses related to the regulation of	
		or (ii) the person's firearms rights have been rest	*
		G.S. 14-415.4 or have been restored in another state pursu	-
		that state.	aute to the laws of
	(4)	<u>Is a fugitive from justice.</u>	
	$\frac{(+)}{(5)}$	Is an unlawful user of, or addicted to, marijuana, alcohol,	or any depressant
	<u>(J)</u>	stimulant, or narcotic drug, or any other controlled substan	
		U.S.C. § 802.	
	(6)		be lacking montal
	<u>(6)</u>	<u>Is currently or has been previously adjudicated by a court to</u> <u>capacity or mentally ill. Receipt of previous consultative set</u>	
	(7)	treatment alone shall not disqualify any citizen under this s	
	<u>(7)</u>	Is or has been discharged from the Armed Forces of the U	miled States under
	(0)	conditions other than honorable. Execute as provided in subdivision (0) (10) or (11) of the	
	<u>(8)</u>	Except as provided in subdivision (9), (10), or (11) of the	
		has been adjudicated guilty of or received a prayer for judg	
		suspended sentence for one or more crimes of viole	nce constituting a

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		misdemeanor, including, but not limited to, a violat	ion of a misdemeanor
		under Article 8 of this Chapter except for a violation	
		violation of a misdemeanor under G.S. 14-226.1,	
		14-269.6, 14-277, 14-277.1, 14-283 except for a violati	on involving fireworks
		exempted under G.S. 14-288.2, 14-288.4(a)(1), 14-28	38.6, 14-288.9, former
		14-288.12, former 14-288.13, former 14-288.14,	14-414, 14-415.21(b),
		14-415.26(d) within three years prior to the date on w	hich the application is
		submitted, or 14-415.36.	
	<u>(9)</u>	Is or has been adjudicated guilty of or received a	prayer for judgment
		continued or suspended sentence for one or more	e crimes of violence
		constituting a misdemeanor under G.S. 14-33(c)(1), 14	-33(c)(2), 14-33(c)(3),
		<u>14-33(d)</u> , <u>14-134.3</u> , <u>14-277.3A</u> , <u>14-318.2</u> , <u>50B-4.1</u> , or	
	<u>(10)</u>	Is prohibited from possessing a firearm pursuant to 1	
		result of a conviction of a misdemeanor crime of dome	
	(11)	Has been adjudicated guilty of or received a prayer for	
		suspended sentence for one or more crimes involving a	
		assault a law enforcement officer, probation or p	· · ·
		employed at a State or local detention facility, firefight	
		technician, medical responder, or emergency departme	
	<u>(12)</u>	Has had entry of a prayer for judgment continued for	
		would make it unlawful under this section for the perso	on to carry a concealed
	(10)	weapon.	
	<u>(13)</u>	Is free on bond or personal recognizance pending trial	
		for a crime that would make it unlawful under this se	ction for the person to
	(1.4)	carry a concealed weapon.	1 0 0 00 100 1
	<u>(14)</u>	Has been convicted of an impaired driving offense	
		20-138.2, or 20-138.3 within three years prior to the da	tte on which the person
(c)	Valid	is carrying the weapon. Identification Required; Disclosure to Law Enforce	amont Officer When
		led. – When carrying a concealed handgun, a person	
		I shall disclose to any law enforcement officer that the	
		un when approached or addressed by the officer and sl	
	-	on the request of a law enforcement officer.	nun uispiuy ine proper
(d)	-	xy_{i} , - Any person who violates subsection (a) of this sect	ion is guilty of a Class
		Any person who violates subsection (b) of this section	
		a first offense and is guilty of a Class H felony for a	
		son who violates subsection (c) of this section commits	
	• •	cordance with G.S. 14-3.1.	
-		nlawful to carry a concealed weapon into certain area	as.
(a)		nlawful to carry a concealed weapon into the following	
otherwise	by law		-
	(1)	In an area prohibited by rule adopted under G.S. 120-3	<u>2.1.</u>
	<u>(2)</u>	In any area prohibited by 18 U.S.C. § 922 or any other	federal law.
	<u>(3)</u>	In a law enforcement or correctional facility.	
	(4)	On any private premises where notice that carrying a	concealed handgun is
		prohibited by the posting of a conspicuous notice or s	tatement by the person
		in legal possession or control of the premises.	
<u>(b)</u>	A vio	lation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor."	
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	SECT	ation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor."	ents where alcoholic

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1	(a) It sha	ll be unlawful for any person <u>consuming alcohol, or at any time</u>	while the person
2	has remaining in	the person's body any alcohol or in the person's blood a con	trolled substance
3	previously consu	<u>imed</u> , to carry any gun, rifle, or pistol into any assembly whe	re a fee has been
4	charged for adm	ission thereto, or into any establishment in which alcoholic be	everages are sold
5	and consumed.	Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be gu	uilty of a Class 1
6	misdemeanor.		
7	(b) This	section shall not apply to any of the following:	
8	(1)	A person exempted from the provisions of G.S. 14-269.	
9	(2)	The owner or lessee of the premises or business establishme	nt.
10	(3)	A person participating in the event, if the person is carryin	ig a gun, rifle, or
11		pistol with the permission of the owner, lessee, or persor	1 or organization
12		sponsoring the event.	
13	(4)	A person registered or hired as a security guard by the owner,	, lessee, or person
14		or organization sponsoring the event.	
15	(5)	A person carrying a handgun if the person has a valid co	ncealed handgun
16		permit issued in accordance with Article 54B of this Chapter	r, has a concealed
17		handgun permit considered valid under G.S. 14-415.24, or	r is exempt from
18		obtaining a permit pursuant to G.S. 14-415.25. This subdiv	ision shall not be
19		construed to permit a person to carry a handgun on any pro-	emises where the
20		person in legal possession or control of the premises has post	ted a conspicuous
21		notice prohibiting the carrying of a concealed handgun or	the premises in
22		accordance with G.S. 14-415.11(c)."	
23	SEC'	TION 4. G.S. 14-269.4 reads as rewritten:	
24	"§ 14-269.4. W	eapons on certain State property and in courthouses.	
25	It shall be un	nlawful for any person to possess, or carry, whether openly o	or concealed, any
26	deadly weapon,	not used solely for instructional or officially sanctioned cerem	onial purposes in
27	the State Capitol	l Building, the Executive Mansion, the Western Residence of	the Governor, or
28	on the grounds of	of any of these buildings, and in any building housing any cou	irt of the General
29	Court of Justice.	. If a court is housed in a building containing nonpublic uses	in addition to the
30		rohibition shall apply only to that portion of the building used f	or court purposes
31	while the buildin	ng is being used for court purposes.	
32	This section	shall not apply to any of the following:	
33	•••		
34	(6)	A person with a permit issued in accordance with Article 54	B of this Chapter,
35		with a permit considered valid under G.S. 14-415.24, or wh	o is exempt from
36		obtaining a permit pursuant to G.S. 14-415.25, A person car	rying a concealed
37		handgun who has a firearm in a closed compartment or cor	
38		person's locked vehicle or in a locked container securely affix	ted to the person's
39		vehicle. A person may unlock the vehicle to enter or exit the	vehicle provided
40		the firearm remains in the closed compartment at all times a	and the vehicle is
41		locked immediately following the entrance or exit.	
42	(7)	Any person who carries or possesses an ordinary pocket kn	ife, as defined in
43		G.S. 14-269(d), carried in a closed position into the State Ca	apitol Building or
44		on the grounds of the State Capitol Building.	
45	Any person v	violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a Class	1 misdemeanor."
46	SEC'	TION 5. G.S. 14-277.2 reads as rewritten:	
47	"§ 14-277.2. W	eapons at parades, etc., prohibited.	
48			
49	(d) The p	provisions of this section shall not apply to concealed carry of	of a handgun at a
50		I procession by a person with a valid permit issued in accord	
51	54B of this Chap	ter, with a permit considered valid under G.S. 14-415.24, or wh	io is exempt from

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1 2 3	to permit a pers	it pursuant to G.S. 14-415.25. procession. This subsect on to carry a concealed handgun on any premises w ntrol of the premises has posted a conspicuous notice p	where the person in legal		
4	a concealed hand	a concealed handgun on the premises in accordance with G.S. 14-415.11(c)."			
5		FION 6. G.S. 14-269.1 reads as rewritten:			
6 7		nfiscation and disposition of deadly weapons. ction of any person for violation of G.S. 14-269, (C = 14 260 7 14 260 7		
8 9 10	<u>14-415.35(b)</u> , or G.S. 14-269, we	any other offense involving the use of a deadly weapon apon, including a firearm, the deadly weapon with ave been convicted shall be ordered confiscated and dis	on of a type referred to in reference to which the		
10		in one of the following ways in the discretion of the pr			
12	Judge at the that	In one of the following ways in the discretion of the pl	lesiung judge.		
12	SFC	FION 7. G.S. 14-269.2 reads as rewritten:			
13		eapons on campus or other educational property.			
15	§ 17-207.2. VV	cupons on campus of other curcational property.			
16	(i) The p	rovisions of this section shall not apply to an employee	of an institution of higher		
10		ned in G.S. 116-143.1 or a nonpublic post-secondary ec	6		
18		npus of the institution at which the person is employed			
10 19	criteria are met:	inpus of the institution at which the person is employed	when an of the following		
20	(1)	The employee's residence is a detached, single-famil	y dwelling in which only		
20	(1)	the employee and the employee's immediate family			
22	(2)	The institution is either:			
23	(2)	a. An institution of higher education as defined	by G S 116-143 1		
23 24		b. A nonpublic post-secondary educational	•		
25		specifically prohibited the possession of a l			
26		subsection.	hundgun pursuant to uns		
20 27	(3)	The weapon is a handgun.			
28	(3)	The handgun is possessed in one of the following m	anners as annropriate:		
20 29	()	a. If the employee has a concealed handgun p			
30		Article 54B of this Chapter, or who is exemp			
31		pursuant to that Article, the handgun may b	01		
32		premises of the employee's residence or in	-		
33		container within the employee's locked veh	-		
34		parking area of the educational property of the			
35		person is employed and resides. Except for d			
36		residence and the vehicle, the handgun must			
37		on the premises of the employee's resid			
38		compartment of the employee's locked veh			
39		unlock the vehicle to enter or exit, but			
40		immediately following the entrance or exit	if the handgun is in the		
41		vehicle.	C		
42		b. If the employee is not authorized to carr	y a concealed handgun		
43		pursuant to Article 54B of this Chapter, the	handgun may be on the		
44		premises of the employee's residence, an	id may only be in the		
45		employee's vehicle when the vehicle is occup	bied by the employee and		
46		the employee is immediately leaving the can	pus or is driving directly		
47		to their residence from off campus. The en			
48		handgun on the employee's person outside	de the premises of the		
49		employee's residence when making a direct	transfer of the handgun		
50		from the residence to the employee's vehic			
51		immediately leaving the campus or from the			
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1 2		residence when the employee is arrivit campus.	ng at the residence from off
3	(j) The prov	isions of this section shall not apply to an empl	ovee of a public or nonpublic
4		on the campus of the school at which the person	
5	following criteria ar	1 1	
6	U	'he employee's residence is a detached, single-f	amily dwelling in which only
7		he employee and the employee's immediate fan	
8		'he school is either:	
9	(<u>-</u>) 1 a		lential housing for enrolled
0		students.	
1	b		idential housing for enrolled
2	0	students and has not specifically pro-	-
3		handgun pursuant to this subsection.	indiced the possession of a
4	(3) T	'he weapon is a handgun.	
5		The handgun is a handgun.	a manners as appropriate.
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	a		-
7 8		Article 54B of this Chapter, or who is ex	
8 9		pursuant to that Article, the handgun m	
		premises of the employee's residence or	-
0		container within the employee's locked	
1		parking area of the educational propert	
2		person is employed and resides. Except f	
3		residence and the vehicle, the handgun n	
4		on the premises of the employee's	
5		compartment of the employee's locked	1 1 1
5		unlock the vehicle to enter or exit,	
7		immediately following the entrance or	exit if the handgun is in the
8		vehicle.	
9	b	1 2	•
)		pursuant to Article 54B of this Chapter,	, the handgun may be on the
l		premises of the employee's residence	, and may only be in the
		employee's vehicle when the vehicle is o	ccupied by the employee and
		the employee is immediately leaving the	campus or is driving directly
		to their residence from off campus. The	e employee may possess the
		handgun on the employee's person o	outside the premises of the
		employee's residence when making a d	irect transfer of the handgun
		from the residence to the employee's ve	_
		immediately leaving the campus or from	
		residence when the employee is arrivir	
		campus.	8
)	(k) The prov	isions of this section shall not apply to a person	who has a concealed handgun
2		under Article 54B of this Chapter, or who is ex-	
3	-	cle, if when any of the following conditions are	
4	-	The person has a handgun in a closed compart	
5		erson's locked vehicle or in a locked container s	
6	-	ehicle and only unlocks the vehicle to enter of	
7		rearm remains in the closed compartment at all	
3		ne vehicle following the entrance or exit.	times and miniculately locks
))		•	on and the nerven remains in
		he person has a handgun concealed on the person looked vahiole and only unlooke the vahiole	-
)		ne locked vehicle and only unlocks the vehicle	to allow the entrance or exit
1	0	f another person.	

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1		(3)	The person is within a locked vehicle and removes the	ne handgun from
2			concealment only for the amount of time reasonably necess	ary to do either of
3			the following:	
4			a. Move the handgun from concealment on the pe	erson to a closed
5			compartment or container within the vehicle.	
6			b. Move the handgun from within a closed compart	ment or container
7			within the vehicle to concealment on the person.	
8	(k1)		ne purposes of this subsection, property owned by a local boa	
9	•		ion shall not be construed as a building that is a place of rel	•
10			14-54.1. The provisions of this section shall not apply to a	
11		U	un permit that is valid under Article 54B of this Chapter, or w	-
12	obtaining	a perm	it pursuant to that Article, if all of the following conditions a	
13		(1)	The person possesses and carries a handgun on educational p	1 0
14			an institution of higher education as defined by G.S. 116-14.	3.1 or a nonpublic,
15			postsecondary educational institution.	
16		(2)	The educational property is the location of both a school and	d a building that is
17			a place of religious worship as defined in G.S. 14-54.1.	
18		(3)	The weapon is a handgun.	
19		(4)	The handgun is only possessed and carried on educational p	roperty outside of
20			the school operating hours.	
21		(5)	The person or persons in legal possession or control of the	
22			posted a conspicuous notice prohibiting the carrying of a c	oncealed handgun
23			on the premises in accordance with G.S. 14-415.11(c).	
24	"			
25			FION 8. G.S. 14-401.24 reads as rewritten:	
26	"§ 14-401	.24. U	nlawful possession and use of unmanned aircraft systems.	
27	····	T1		
28	(c)	I ne I	ollowing definitions apply to this section:	
29 30			Washen These washing specified in C.S. 14 260, 14 2	60 2 14 294 1 or
		(5)	Weapon. – Those weapons specified in G.S. 14-269, 14-2	09.2, 14-264.1, 01
31			14-288.8 and any other object object, including a firearm, ca	ipable of inflicting
32 33	"		serious bodily injury or death when used as a weapon.	
33 34	••••	SEC	FION 9. G.S. 14-409.40 reads as rewritten:	
34 35	"8 1 <i>4 4</i> 00		tatewide uniformity of local regulation.	
35 36		.40. 5	atewide uniformity of local regulation.	
30 37	 (f)	Nothi	ng contained in this section prohibits municipalities or countie	s from application
38	~ /		y under G.S. 153A-129, 160A-189, 14-269, 14-269.2, 14	11
39			5.11, 14-415.23, 14-415.35, including prohibiting the possess	
40			ildings, on the grounds or parking areas of those buildings, or	
41			except nothing in this subsection shall prohibit a person from	
42			ehicle while the vehicle is on these grounds or areas. Nothing	
43			municipalities or counties from exercising powers provided	•
44	-		red under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the General Statutes	-
45	·····"	,	the short interest in or chapter room of the Schorta Bulluto	·-
46		SEC	FION 10. G.S. 14-415.4(e)(2) reads as rewritten:	
47		"(2)	The petitioner is under indictment for a felony or a finding	of probable cause
48		(-)	exists against the petitioner for a felony."	r
49		SEC	FION 11. Article 54B of Chapter 14 of the General Statut	es is amended by
50	adding a r		tion to read:	5
51	" <u>§ 14-415</u>			

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1	While G.S. 14-415.35 makes it lawful to carry a concealed weapon in this State without			
2	obtaining a concealed handgun permit, it is often convenient to have a concealed handgun permit			
3	for the purpose of reciprocity when traveling in another state, to make the purchase of a firearm			
4	more efficient, or for various other reasons. Therefore, the State of North Carolina shall continue			
5	to make a concealed handgun permit available to any person who applies for and is eligible to			
6	receive a concealed handgun permit pursuant to this Article."			
7	SECTION 12. G.S. 14-415.11(a) reads as rewritten:			
8	"(a) Any person who has a concealed handgun permit may carry a concealed handgun			
9	unless otherwise specifically prohibited by law. The person shall carry the permit together with			
10	valid identification whenever the person is carrying a concealed handgun, shall disclose to any			
11	law enforcement officer that the person holds a valid permit and is carrying a concealed handgun			
12	when approached or addressed by the officer, and shall display both the permit and the proper			
13	identification upon the request of a law enforcement officer. In addition to these requirements, a			
14	military permittee whose permit has expired during deployment may carry a concealed handgun			
15	during the 90 days following the end of deployment and before the permit is renewed provided			
16	the permittee also displays proof of deployment to any law enforcement officer."			
17	SECTION 13. G.S. 14-415.22 is repealed.			
18	SECTION 14. G.S. 74E-6 reads as rewritten:			
19	"§ 74E-6. Oaths, powers, and authority of company police officers.			
20				
21	(c) All Company Police. – Company police officers, while in the performance of their			
22	duties of employment, have the same powers as municipal and county police officers to make			
23	arrests for both felonies and misdemeanors and to charge for infractions on any of the following:			
24	(1) Real property owned by or in the possession and control of their employer.			
25	(2) Real property owned by or in the possession and control of a person who has			
26	contracted with the employer to provide on-site company police security			
27	personnel services for the property.			
28	(3) Any other real property while in continuous and immediate pursuit of a person			
29	for an offense committed upon property described in subdivisions (1) or (2)			
30	of this subsection.			
31 32	Company police officers shall have, if duly authorized by the superior officer in charge, the authority to company concerled wavepone purposed to and in conformity with $C = 14.260$ (b)(4) and			
32 33	authority to carry concealed weapons pursuant to and in conformity with $G.S. 14-269(b)(4)$ and (5) - $G.S. 14-269(b)(4)$ and $(b)(5)$ and $G.S. 14-415.35$.			
33 34	"			
35	SECTION 15. G.S. 74G-6 reads as rewritten:			
36	"§ 74G-6. Oaths, powers, and authority of campus police officers.			
37	s 740-0. Oatis, powers, and autionity of campus ponce officers.			
38	(d) Concealed Weapons. – Campus police officers shall have, if duly authorized by their			
39	campus police agency and by the sheriff of the county in which the campus police agency is			
40	located, the authority to carry concealed weapons pursuant to and in conformity with			
41	G.S. 14-269(b)(5).G.S. 14-269(b)(5) and G.S. 14-415.35.			
42	"			
43	SECTION 16. G.S. 113-136 reads as rewritten:			
44	"§ 113-136. Enforcement authority of inspectors and protectors; refusal to obey or allow			
45	inspection by inspectors and protectors.			
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47	(d) Inspectors and protectors are additionally authorized to arrest without warrant under			
48	the terms of G.S. 15A-401(b) for felonies, for breaches of the peace, for assaults upon them or in			
49	their presence, and for other offenses evincing a flouting of their authority as enforcement			
50	officers or constituting a threat to public peace and order which would tend to subvert the			
51	authority of the State if ignored. In particular, they are authorized, subject to the direction of the			

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1	administrative superiors, to arrest for violations of G.S. 14-223, 14-225,	14-269, and
2	14-277.14-277, and 14-415.35.	
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4	SECTION 17. Prosecutions for offenses committed before the effective	ive date of this
5	act are not abated or affected by this act, and the statutes that would be applicable	but for this act
6	remain applicable to those prosecutions.	
7	SECTION 18. This act becomes effective December 1, 2025, and appl	lies to offenses
8	committed on or after that date.	