GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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H 1 **HOUSE BILL 531** Short Title: No School Profanity. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Lilley; Justus and Gardner. Referred to: Judiciary. March 13, 1989 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PROFANE LANGUAGE ON SCHOOL PREMISES. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. Article 26 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read: "§ 14-196.3. Using profane or indecent language on school premises. It shall be unlawful for any person to use any words or language of a profane, vulgar, lewd, lascivious or indecent character, nature, or connotation on school premises where minors are present when such language is intended to be intimidating or coercive or would constitute fighting words. A violation of this section is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00), imprisonment not to exceed 30 days, or both." Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989, and shall apply to

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