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SENATE BILL 30  
Judiciary II Committee Substitute Adopted 5/12/93

Short Title: Assaulting a Sports Official.

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Sponsors:

Referred to:

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO MAKE IT A GENERAL MISDEMEANOR TO COMMIT AN  
3 ASSAULT ON A SPORTS OFFICIAL.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 14-33(b) is rewritten to read:

6 "(b) Unless his conduct is covered under some other provision of law providing  
7 greater punishment, any person who commits any assault, assault and battery, or affray  
8 is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine, imprisonment for not more than two  
9 years, or both such fine and imprisonment if, in the course of the assault, assault and  
10 battery, or affray, he:

11 (1) Inflicts, or attempts to inflict, serious injury upon another person or  
12 uses a deadly weapon; or

13 (2) Assaults a female, he being a male person at least 18 years of age; or

14 (3) Assaults a child under the age of 12 years; or

15 (4) to (7). Repealed by Session Laws 1991, c. 525, s. 1.

16 (8) Assaults an officer or employee of the State or of any political  
17 subdivision of the State, when the officer or employee is discharging  
18 or attempting to discharge his official duties.

19 (9) Assaults a sports official when the sports official is discharging or  
20 attempting to discharge official duties at a sports event, or immediately  
21 after the sports event at which the sports official discharged official  
22 duties. A 'sports official' is a person at a sports event who enforces the  
23 rules of the event, such as an umpire or referee, or a person who

1                   supervises the participants, such as a coach. A 'sports event' includes  
2                   any interscholastic or intramural athletic activity in a primary, middle,  
3                   junior high, or high school, college, or university, any organized  
4                   athletic activity sponsored by a community, business, or nonprofit  
5                   organization, any athletic activity that is a professional or  
6                   semiprofessional event, and any other organized athletic activity in the  
7                   State."

8                   Sec. 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 1993, and applies to offenses  
9                   occurring on or after that date.