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SENATE BILL 533

Short Title: Occupational Health/Reporting.

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Sponsors: Senator Forrester.

Referred to: Children and Human Resources.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INSTITUTE A STATEWIDE REPORTING SYSTEM FOR
3 OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES, ILLNESSES, CONDITIONS, AND INJURIES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. Chapter 130A of the General Statutes is amended by adding the
6 following new Article to read:

7 **"ARTICLE 20.**

8 **"OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH.**

9 **"§ 130A-455. Reportable diseases, illnesses, conditions, and injuries.**

10 The Commission shall adopt rules establishing a list of occupational diseases,
11 illnesses, conditions, and injuries to be reported to the Department. The Commission
12 shall adopt rules establishing the specific information to be submitted when making a
13 report required by this Article, time limits for reporting, and the form of the report.

14 **"§ 130A-456. Physicians to report.**

15 A physician licensed to practice medicine who treats a person for an occupational
16 disease, illness, condition, or injury declared by the Commission to be reportable shall
17 report information required by the Commission to the Department.

18 **"§ 130A-457. Medical facilities to report.**

19 A medical facility in which there is a patient who has an occupational disease,
20 illness, condition, or injury declared by the Commission to be reportable shall report
21 information specified by the Commission to the Department.

22 **"§ 130A-458. Persons in charge of laboratories to report.**

23 A person in charge of a clinical or pathological laboratory providing diagnostic
24 service in this State shall report to the Department laboratory findings related to

1 occupational diseases, illnesses, conditions, or injuries for which laboratory reporting is
2 required by the Commission.

3 **"§ 130A-459. Immunity of persons who report.**

4 A person who makes a report pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall be
5 immune from any civil or criminal liability that might otherwise be incurred or imposed
6 as a result of making the report."

7 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective January 1, 1994.