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SENATE DRS65257-LH-23A (1/21)

Short Title: Dispose of Firearm/Modify Notice Requirement. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Goodall, and Clodfelter.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT NOTIFICATION OF THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN UNCLAIMED FIREARMS MAY BE DONE BY POSTING NOTICE AT THE HEADQUARTERS OR ON THE WEB SITE OF THE APPROPRIATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY RATHER THAN BY PUBLICATION IN A NEWSPAPER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 15-12 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(c) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, if the unclaimed property is a firearm that is in the possession of any sheriff or police department as provided for in this Article, then the notice required under subsection (a) of this section regarding the disposal of the firearm may be done in any of the following manners: (i) by publishing the notice in a newspaper published in the county in which the sheriff or police department is located, (ii) by posting the notice in an appropriate location at the headquarters of the sheriff or police department, or (iii) by posting the notice on the Web site of the sheriff or police department. The notice shall contain the information required under subsection (a) of this section."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.