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SENATE BILL 1287

Short Title: Judicial Department Access to SSN Information. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Snow.

Referred to: Judiciary II (Criminal).

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT IS A BRANCH OF
2 GOVERNMENT THAT MAY HAVE ACCESS TO SOCIAL SECURITY
3 INFORMATION SUBMITTED AS PART OF AN APPLICATION FOR A
4 DRIVERS LICENSE AND KEPT ON FILE AT THE DIVISION OF MOTOR
5 VEHICLES.
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7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-7(b2) reads as rewritten:

9 "(b2) Disclosure of Social Security Number. – The social security number of an
10 applicant is not a public record. The Division may not disclose an applicant's social
11 security number except as allowed under federal law. A violation of the disclosure
12 restrictions is punishable as provided in 42 U.S.C. § 408, and amendments to that law.

13 In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 405 and 42 U.S.C. 666, and amendments thereto, the
14 Division may disclose a social security number obtained under subsection (b1) of this
15 section only as follows:

- 16 (1) For the purpose of administering the drivers license laws.
17 (2) To the Department of Health and Human Services, Child Support
18 Enforcement Program for the purpose of establishing paternity or child
19 support or enforcing a child support order.
20 (3) To the Department of Revenue for the purpose of verifying taxpayer
21 identity.
22 (4) To the Office of Indigent Defense Services of the Judicial Department
23 for the purpose of verifying the identity of a represented client and
24 enforcing a court order to pay for the legal services rendered."

25 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.