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Judiciary I (Civil) Committee Substitute Adopted 6/4/08**

Short Title: UNC Campus Safety/Funds.

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May 28, 2008

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATIONS  
2 OF THE UNC CAMPUS SAFETY TASK FORCE, TO DIRECT THE BOARD OF  
3 GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA IN  
4 CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, THE STATE  
5 BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND THE NORTH CAROLINA  
6 INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TO STUDY THE ISSUE OF  
7 PROVIDING QUALIFIED IMMUNITY TO HEALTH PROFESSIONALS FOR  
8 THE DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION WHEN THE  
9 DISCLOSURE IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTING OR MITIGATING  
10 HARM TO OTHERS, AND TO MAKE IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO  
11 COMMUNICATE A THREAT OF MASS VIOLENCE ON EDUCATIONAL  
12 PROPERTY.  
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14 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

15 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
16 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of eleven million seven  
17 hundred thousand dollars (\$11,700,000) in recurring funds and the sum of seventeen  
18 million five hundred thousand dollars (\$17,500,000) in nonrecurring funds for the  
19 2008-2009 fiscal year to support the recommendations of the UNC Campus Safety Task  
20 Force.

21 **SECTION 2.(a)** The Board of Governors of The University of North  
22 Carolina, in conjunction with the State Board of Community Colleges, the State Board  
23 of Education, and the North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities shall study  
24 the issue of providing qualified immunity to mental health and health professionals for  
25 the disclosure of confidential information when the disclosure is for the purpose of  
26 preventing or mitigating harm to others, consistent with the recommendations of the  
27 UNC Campus Safety Task Force. The Board of Governors shall seek the input of  
28 licensing bodies of the mental health and health professionals when developing its  
29 recommendations.

1           **SECTION 2.(b)** The Board of Governors of The University of North  
2 Carolina shall submit a final report of the results of this study to the Joint Select  
3 Committee on Governmental Immunity no later than December 1, 2008, including any  
4 legislative recommendations for consideration during the 2009 General Assembly.

5           **SECTION 3.** Article 35 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by  
6 adding a new section to read:

7 **"§ 14-277.6. Communicating a threat of mass violence on educational property.**

8           (a) The following definitions apply in this section:

9           (1) Educational property. – As defined in G.S. 14-269.2.

10           (2) Mass violence. – Physical injury that a reasonable person would  
11 conclude could lead to permanent injury (including mental or  
12 emotional injury) or death to two or more people.

13           (3) School. – As defined in G.S. 14-269.2.

14           (b) A person is guilty of a Class H felony if without lawful authority the person  
15 does all of the following:

16           (1) Willfully threatens to commit an act of mass violence on educational  
17 property or at a curricular or extracurricular activity sponsored by a  
18 school.

19           (2) Communicates that threat to any person or group of persons by any  
20 means of communication.

21           (3) Makes the threat in a manner and under circumstances that would  
22 cause a reasonable person to believe that the threat is likely to be  
23 carried out.

24           (c) The court may order a person convicted under this section to pay restitution,  
25 including costs and consequential damages resulting from the disruption of the normal  
26 activity that would have otherwise occurred on the premises but for the threat, pursuant  
27 to Article 81C of Chapter 15A of the General Statutes."

28           **SECTION 4.** Section 1 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2008. Section 3  
29 of this act becomes effective December 1, 2008, and applies to offenses committed on  
30 or after that date. The remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law