

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 741*
Committee Substitute Favorable 6/8/11

Short Title: Amend Lab Accreditation Effective Date. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 7, 2011

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE LAB ACCREDITATION
3 REQUIREMENTS OF THE FORENSIC SCIENCES ACT OF 2011 AS THEY APPLY
4 TO LABORATORIES OTHER THAN THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE CRIME
5 LABORATORY.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 11 of S. L. 2011-19 reads as rewritten:

8 "**SECTION 11.** Sections 1 through 5 and ~~7-9~~ through 11 are effective when this act
9 becomes law, and law. Section 6 becomes effective July 1, 2011. Sections 7 and 8 of this act are
10 effective when they become law, however, until October 1, 2012, the provisions of those
11 sections shall apply only to the North Carolina State Crime Laboratory, and on or after October
12 1, 2012, the provisions of Sections 7 and 8 shall apply to all laboratories conducting forensic or
13 chemical analysis for admission in the courts of this State. Nothing in this act is intended to
14 amend or modify either the statutory or common law applicable to discovery in criminal cases
15 which was applicable prior to the effective date of this act. Prosecutions for offenses committed
16 before the effective date of this act are not abated or affected by this act, and the statutes that
17 would be applicable but for this act remain applicable to those prosecutions."

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

