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HOUSE DRH30129-LH-16C (12/12)

Short Title: Crim. Offense/False Statement to SBI Agent. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Glazier, Holliman, and J. Harrell (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE IT A FELONY TO PROVIDE MATERIALLY FALSE INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO AN OFFICIAL INQUIRY BY A SWORN AGENT OF THE STATE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 14-225 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-225. False reports to law enforcement agencies or officers.

(a) For purposes of this section, the term "official inquiry" means the pursuit of an investigative matter by a sworn agent of the State Bureau of Investigation pursuant to a statutorily authorized request from the Governor or the Attorney General, assistance rendered in accordance with G.S. 114-14, or an investigation being conducted as a matter of original jurisdiction conferred upon the State Bureau of Investigation by North Carolina law.

(b) Any person who shall willfully make or cause to be made to a law enforcement agency or officer any false, misleading or unfounded report, for the purpose of interfering with the operation of a law enforcement agency, or to hinder or obstruct any law enforcement officer in the performance of his duty, shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.

(c) In response to an official inquiry by a sworn agent of the State Bureau of Investigation, any person who shall willfully do any of the following is guilty of a Class H felony:

(1) Falsify or conceal by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact.

(2) Make any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation.

(3) Use any false writing or document knowing the writing or document to contain any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry."

1 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2007, and applies to
2 offenses committed on or after that date.