GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2009

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Short Title:	Court Fee for Littering.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representative Cole.	
Referred to:		

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A COURT FEE FOR PERSONS CONVICTED OF LITTERING TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT RESOURCES TO ENFORCE THE LITTERING LAWS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7A-304(a) is amended by adding new subdivision to read:

"(a) In every criminal case in the superior or district court, wherein the defendant is convicted, or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, or when costs are assessed against the prosecuting witness, the following costs shall be assessed and collected, except that when the judgment imposes an active prison sentence, costs shall be assessed and collected only when the judgment specifically so provides, and that no costs may be assessed when a case is dismissed.

. . .

(9) For support of local law enforcement, the court shall, upon conviction for a littering violation under G.S. 7A-399, order payment of the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) to be remitted to the county or municipality employing the law enforcement officer who made the arrest to be used to provide additional law enforcement resources for the enforcement of G.S. 7A-399 in that county or municipality."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2009, and applies to court costs assessed or collected on or after that date.

