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SENATE DRS15157-LH-12 (11/17)

Short Title: Amend Statutory Rape/15 Yrs. Old or Younger. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators J. Jackson, Daniel, and Bingham (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF STATUTORY RAPE OR SEXUAL
OFFENSE OF A PERSON WHO IS THIRTEEN, FOURTEEN, OR FIFTEEN YEARS
OLD TO APPLY TO ANY VICTIM WHO IS FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR
YOUNGER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 14-27.7A reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-27.7A. Statutory rape or sexual offense of person who is ~~13, 14, or 15~~ years ~~old of~~
age or younger.

(a) A defendant is guilty of a Class B1 felony if the defendant engages in vaginal
intercourse or a sexual act with another person who is ~~13, 14, or 15~~ years ~~old of age or younger~~
and the defendant is at least six years older than the person, except when the defendant is
lawfully married to the person.

(b) ~~A~~ Unless the conduct is covered under some other provision of law providing
greater punishment, a defendant is guilty of a Class C felony if the defendant engages in
vaginal intercourse or a sexual act with another person who is ~~13, 14, or 15~~ years ~~old of age or~~
younger and the defendant is more than four but less than six years older than the person,
except when the defendant is lawfully married to the person."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2015, and applies to
offenses committed on or after that date.

