

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
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CHAPTER 873  
SENATE BILL 568

AN ACT TO AMEND G.S. 7A-273 RELATING TO THE POWER OF MAGISTRATES IN CRIMINAL ACTIONS RELATING TO WORTHLESS CHECKS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** G.S. 7A-273(6) is hereby rewritten to read as follows:

"(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this section, to hear and enter judgment as the chief district judge shall direct in all worthless check cases brought under G.S. 14-107, when the amount of the check is four hundred dollars (\$400.00) or less. Provided, however, that under this section magistrates may not impose a prison sentence longer than 30 days."

**Sec. 2.** This act shall become effective July 1, 1977, and shall be applicable to all criminal proceedings begun on and after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 1st day of July, 1977.