

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 907  
HOUSE BILL 1313

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE RENDERING INOPERABLE OF SYRINGES BEFORE  
DISCARDING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** Chapter 90 of the General Statutes is hereby amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

**"§ 90-113.4A. Rendering inoperable of hypodermic syringes and needles required before discarding.** — (a) It shall be unlawful for any firm, organization, corporation, hospital, medical clinic, their agents or employees to discard a hypodermic syringe or needle unless such instrument is first rendered inoperable for future use; provided that this section shall not apply to the discarding of such instruments after personal use by individuals who are under the care of a physician, and further provided that this section shall not apply to the discarding of such instruments after use for the treatment of livestock.

(b) Violation of this section shall be a misdemeanor."

**Sec. 2.** This act shall become effective January 1, 1978.

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