

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 267  
HOUSE BILL 252

AN ACT TO ALLOW TELEPHONE SERVICE OF SUBPOENAS FOR THE ATTENDANCE OF WITNESSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** G.S. 8-59 is amended by adding after the period the following:

"Provided that in criminal cases any law enforcement officer authorized to make arrests and employed by a local law enforcement agency may effect service of a subpoena for the attendance of witnesses by telephone communication with the person named. However, in the case of a witness served by telephone communication pursuant to this section, neither an order to show cause nor an order for arrest shall be issued until such person has been served personally with the written subpoena."

**Sec. 2.** This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 27th day of April, 1981.