

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1983 SESSION

CHAPTER 780
HOUSE BILL 1253

AN ACT DEFINING LEGISLATIVE BRIBERY AND CONSOLIDATING THE
STATUTES RELATING THERETO.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-219 is repealed.

Sec. 2. G.S. 120-86 is amended by designating the present language as subsection (a) and adding the following new subsections:

"(b) It shall be unlawful for the partner, client, customer, or employer of a legislator or the agent of that partner, client, customer, or employer to threaten economically, directly or indirectly, that legislator with the intent to influence the legislator in the discharge of his legislative duties.

(c) It shall be unethical for a legislator to contact the partner, client, customer, or employer of another legislator if the purpose of the contact is to cause the partner, client, customer, or employer to threaten economically, directly or indirectly, that legislator with the intent to influence that legislator in the discharge of his legislative duties.

(d) For the purposes of this section, the term 'legislator' also includes any person who has been elected or appointed to the General Assembly but who has not yet taken the oath of office.

(e) Violation of subsection (a) or (b) is a Class I felony.
Violation of subsection (c) is not a crime but is punishable under G.S. 120-103."

Sec. 3. Prosecutions for offenses occurring before the effective date of this act are not abated or affected by this act, and the statutes that would be applicable but for this act remain applicable to those prosecutions.

Sec. 4. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 18th day of July, 1983.