

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2011**

**SESSION LAW 2012-40
HOUSE BILL 235**

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS PERTAINING TO TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO INCLUDE CONVICTION OF A SEXUALLY RELATED OFFENSE THAT RESULTS IN THE CONCEPTION OF THE JUVENILE AS A BASIS FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7B-1111(a) is amended by adding the following subdivision to read:

"(a) The court may terminate the parental rights upon a finding of one or more of the following:

...

(11) The parent has been convicted of a sexually related offense under Chapter 14 of the General Statutes that resulted in the conception of the juvenile."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2012.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 13th day of June, 2012.

s/ Philip E. Berger
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
Governor

Approved 11:36 a.m. this 20th day of June, 2012

