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Short Title: Hypodermic Syringe Disposal.

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Sponsors: Senator Smith.

Referred to: Human Resources.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW GOVERNING DISPOSAL OF HYPODERMIC
3 SYRINGES AND NEEDLES.
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5 Section 1. G.S. 90A-113.4A reads as rewritten:
6 "**§ 90-113.4A. ~~Destroying~~ Disposal of hypodermic syringes and needles ~~needles.~~**
7 **~~before discarding.~~**
8 (a) It shall be unlawful for any firm, organization, corporation, hospital, or
9 medical clinic, or their agents or employees to discard a hypodermic syringe or needle
10 unless such instrument is ~~unbroken and~~ placed in an incinerator or in a hardwalled
11 container and disposed of in a sanitary landfill under rules adopted by the Commission
12 for Health Services. ~~Provided, however, that any such instrument that is accidentally broken~~
13 ~~shall be disposed of in a like manner.~~
14 (b) ~~This section shall not apply to the discarding of such instruments after~~
15 ~~personal use by individuals who are under the care of a physician.~~
16 (c) ~~Further, this section shall not apply to the discarding of such instruments after~~
17 ~~the use for the treatment of livestock.~~
18 (d) Violation of this section shall be a general misdemeanor."
19 Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989, and applies to
20 hypodermic syringes and needles disposed of on or after that date.