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SENATE BILL 356 Human Resources Committee Substitute Adopted 5/7/91

Short Title: Communic. Disease/Penalty.	(Public)
Sponsors:	
Referred to:	

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO MODIFY PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE LAW.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 130A-25 reads as rewritten:

"§ 130A-25. Misdemeanor.

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- (a) A person who violates a provision of this Chapter or the rules adopted by the Commission or a local board of health shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
- A person convicted under this section for failure to obtain the treatment 9 required by Part 3 or Part 5 of Article 6 of this Chapter, or for violation of G.S. 130A-10 144(g) (f) or G.S. 130A-145 shall serve any prison sentence in McCain Hospital, 11 Division of Prisons, Department of Correction, McCain, North Carolina; the North 12 Carolina Correctional Center for Women, Division of Prisons, Department of 13 Correction, Raleigh, North Carolina; or any other confinement facility designated for 14 this purpose by the Secretary of Correction after consultation with the State Health 15 Director. The Secretary of Correction shall consult with the State Health Director 16 17 concerning the medical management of these persons.
 - (c) In addition to other means of early discharge, Notwithstanding G.S. 148-4.1, G.S. 148-13, or any other contrary provision of law, a person imprisoned for failure to obtain the treatment required by Part 3 or Part 5 of Article 6 of this Chapter, or for violation of G.S. 130A-144(g) (f) or G.S. 130A-145 may be discharged before completion of the person's sentence upon determination-shall not be released prior to the completion of the person's term of imprisonment unless and until a determination has been made by

the District Court that <u>discharge release</u> of the person would not create a danger to the public health. This determination shall be made only after the medical consultant of the confinement facility and the State Health Director, in consultation with the local health director of the person's county of residence, have made recommendations to the Court."

Sec. 2. G.S. 148-4.1(e) reads as rewritten:

- "(e) In addition to those persons otherwise eligible for parole, from the date of notification in subsection (d) until the prison population has been reduced to ninety-seven percent (97%) of 20,435, any person imprisoned only for a misdemeanor also shall be eligible for parole and immediate termination upon admission, notwithstanding any other provision of law, except those persons convicted under G.S. 20-138.1 of driving while impaired or any offense involving impaired driving-except:
 - (1) Those persons convicted under G.S. 20-138.1 of driving while impaired or any offense involving impaired driving, and
 - (2) Those persons convicted pursuant to G.S. 130A-25 of failing to obtain the treatment required by Part 3 or Part 5 of Article 6 of Chapter 130A or of violating G.S. 130A-144(f) or G.S. 130A-145."

Sec. 3. G.S. 148-13(f) reads as rewritten:

- "(f) The provisions of this section do not apply to persons sentenced to a term of special probation under G.S. 15A-1344(e) or G.S. 15A-1351(a). G.S. 15A-1351(a) or to persons convicted pursuant to G.S. 130A-25 of failing to obtain the treatment required by Part 3 or Part 5 of Article 6 of Chapter 130A or of violating G.S. 130A-144(f) or G.S. 130A-145."
- Sec. 4. This act becomes effective October 1, 1991, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.