

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1993

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HOUSE BILL 913

Short Title: Jury Instruction/Multiple Damages.

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Sponsors: Representative G. Miller.

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Referred to: Judiciary I.

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April 13, 1993

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO ALLOW A JUDGE, IN ACTIONS WHERE THE DAMAGE AWARD  
3 THAT THE JURY RETURNS IS DOUBLED OR TREBLED, TO, IN HIS  
4 DISCRETION, CHARGE OR INSTRUCT THE JURY ACCORDINGLY.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 1A-1, Rule 51, is amended by adding a new subsection to  
7 read:

8 "(b1) Subject to the provision of subsection (b) of this section, in an action where  
9 the damage award that the jury determines in its verdict will, by law, be doubled or  
10 trebled, the judge may, in his discretion, inform or instruct the jury accordingly."

11 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification and applies to any cause of  
12 action that goes to trial on or after that date.