

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1995 SESSION

CHAPTER 281
SENATE BILL 287

AN ACT TO CREATE OFFENSES OF STATUTORY RAPE AND STATUTORY
SEXUAL OFFENSE AGAINST VICTIMS WHO ARE THIRTEEN, FOURTEEN,
OR FIFTEEN YEARS OLD.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 7A of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 14-27.7A. Statutory rape or sexual offense of person who is 13, 14, or 15 years old.

(a) A defendant is guilty of a Class B1 felony if the defendant engages in vaginal intercourse or a sexual act with another person who is 13, 14, or 15 years old and the defendant is at least six years older than the person, except when the defendant is lawfully married to the person.

(b) A defendant is guilty of a Class C felony if the defendant engages in vaginal intercourse or a sexual act with another person who is 13, 14, or 15 years old and the defendant is more than four but less than six years older than the person, except when the defendant is lawfully married to the person."

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 1995, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 19th day of June, 1995.

Dennis A. Wicker
President of the Senate

Harold J. Brubaker
Speaker of the House of Representatives