

June 17, 2002

S 1447. PREVENT WORKPLACE VIOLENCE. *TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE PREVENTION OF WORKPLACE VIOLENCE.* Adds new Art. 23 to GS Ch. 95, allowing an employer to file a civil action seeking a restraining order or injunction against someone who has committed unlawful violence or made a credible threat of violence against an employee at the workplace. Defines key terms and provides that restraining order (effective maximum of 15 days) or injunction (effective maximum of 3 years) may prohibit further unlawful violence or credible threats at the workplace or against the employee while acting within the course and scope of employment. The order also may provide other relief the court deems necessary and appropriate. Appropriates from General Fund to Dep't of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, \$1,500 for 2002-2003 to educate the public about domestic violence. Statutory provisions are effective January 1, 2003. Remainder of act effective July 1, 2002.

Intro. by Rand.

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