March 10, 2005

S 477. MASTER KEYS/LOCK-PICKING DEVICES REGULATED. *TO REGULATE THE POSSESSION OF MOTOR VEHICLE MASTER KEYS AND OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE LOCK-PICKING DEVICES*. Adds new GS 14-56A to make it a Class I felony to possess any motor vehicle master key or lock picking device without lawful excuse and with the intent to commit a felony involving a motor vehicle. Also makes it a Class I felony to make buy, sell, or transfer a master key, manipulative key, or lock picking device. Exempts car dealers, car rental agents, locksmiths, repossessors, and law enforcement officers acting in scope of their duties. Effective December 1, 2005, for offenses committed on and after that date.

Intro. by Graham.

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