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S 2015. DNA SAMPLE/FELONY ARREST. Filed 5/25/06. *TO REQUIRE THAT A SALIVA SAMPLE BE TAKEN FOR DNA ANALYSIS FROM ANYONE ARRESTED FOR THE COMMISSION OR ATTEMPTED COMMISSION OF A FELONY OFFENSE*. Enacts new GS 15A-266.7A as title indicates, effective December 1, 2006. Requires the destruction of the sample in the event felony charge is dismissed and there are no other pending warrants or capias for an arrest or felony conviction. Enacts new GS 15A-266.7B, effective July 1, 2006 to establish the procedures for taking and storing DNA samples. Amends GS 15A-266.2 to define "DNA blood sample" and makes conforming changes to GS 15A-266.4(a) and GS 15A-266.5. Requires that the Department of Justice develop a training program to train criminal justice officers in taking saliva samples for DNA analysis. Effective July 1, 2006, appropriates $100,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Justice for 2006-07 to assist with implementing act,.

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