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HOUSE BILL 917*

Short Title: Authorize Judge/Concealed Weapon in Cths. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Justus; Faison and Steen. Referred to: Judiciary IV. March 28, 2005 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A DISTRICT COURT JUDGE OR SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE WHO HAS A CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT MAY CARRY OR POSSESS A CONCEALED HANDGUN WHILE IN A COURTHOUSE TO DISCHARGE OFFICIAL DUTIES. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: SECTION 1. G.S. 14-269.4 reads as rewritten: "§ 14-269.4. Weapons on State property and in courthouses. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess, or carry, whether openly or concealed, any deadly weapon, not used solely for instructional or officially sanctioned ceremonial purposes in the State Capitol Building, the Executive Mansion, the Western Residence of the Governor, or on the grounds of any of these buildings, and in any building housing any court of the General Court of Justice. If a court is housed in a building containing nonpublic uses in addition to the court, then this prohibition shall apply only to that portion of the building used for court purposes while the building is being used for court purposes. This section shall not apply to: Repealed by S.L. 1997-238, s. 3. (1)A person exempted by the provisions of G.S. 14-269(b), (1a)through (4) Repealed by S.L. 1997-238, s. 3. (2)Any person in a building housing a court of the General Court of (4a) Justice in possession of a weapon for evidentiary purposes, to deliver it to a law-enforcement agency, or for purposes of registration, Any district court judge or superior court judge who carries or (4b) possesses a concealed handgun in a building housing a court of the General Court of Justice if the judge is in the building to discharge his or her official duties and the judge has a concealed handgun permit

valid under G.S. 415.24.

issued in accordance with Article 54B of this Chapter or considered

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- (5) State-owned rest areas, rest stops along the highways, and State-owned hunting and fishing reservations.
 Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a Class 1
- 4 misdemeanor." 5 SEC

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.