

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2007**

**HOUSE BILL 589  
RATIFIED BILL**

**AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CIVIL PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE  
POULTRY PRODUCTS INSPECTION ACT.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 106-549.59 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(a1) The Commissioner may assess a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) against any person who violates a provision of this Article or any rule adopted under this Article. In determining the amount of the penalty, the Commissioner shall consider the degree and extent of harm caused by the violation. The clear proceeds of civil penalties assessed pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund in accordance with G.S. 115C-457.2."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective 1 October 2007 and applies to penalties assessed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2007.

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Marc Basnight  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

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Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Michael F. Easley  
Governor

Approved \_\_\_\_\_m. this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007