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**SENATE BILL 1287  
Judiciary II (Criminal) Committee Substitute Adopted 5/17/07**

Short Title: Judicial Department Access to SSN Information.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE OFFICE OF INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES  
3 OF THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT AND LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS  
4 MAY HAVE ACCESS TO SOCIAL SECURITY INFORMATION SUBMITTED  
5 AS PART OF AN APPLICATION FOR A DRIVERS LICENSE AND KEPT ON  
6 FILE AT THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-7(b2) reads as rewritten:

9 "(b2) Disclosure of Social Security Number. – The social security number of an  
10 applicant is not a public record. The Division may not disclose an applicant's social  
11 security number except as allowed under federal law. A violation of the disclosure  
12 restrictions is punishable as provided in 42 U.S.C. § 408, and amendments to that law.

13 In accordance with 42 U.S.C. 405 and 42 U.S.C. 666, and amendments thereto, the  
14 Division may disclose a social security number obtained under subsection (b1) of this  
15 section only as follows:

- 16 (1) For the purpose of administering the drivers license laws.  
17 (2) To the Department of Health and Human Services, Child Support  
18 Enforcement Program for the purpose of establishing paternity or child  
19 support or enforcing a child support order.  
20 (3) To the Department of Revenue for the purpose of verifying taxpayer  
21 identity.  
22 (4) To the Office of Indigent Defense Services of the Judicial Department  
23 for the purpose of verifying the identity of a represented client and  
24 enforcing a court order to pay for the legal services rendered.  
25 (5) To local health departments for the purpose of verifying the identity of  
26 an individual in order to determine the individual's financial eligibility  
27 for services."

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