

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 1605*

Short Title: Pitt Co. Sheriff/Access DHHS Drug Data Base.

(Local)

Sponsors: Senators Jenkins and Kerr.

Referred to: Judiciary I (Civil).

May 15, 2008

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF AND APPROPRIATE DEPUTY
2 SHERIFFS IN PITT COUNTY TO ACCESS INFORMATION IN THE
3 PRESCRIPTION DRUG DATABASE MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT
4 OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES WHEN THE SHERIFF OR DEPUTY
5 SHERIFFS ARE ENGAGED IN A BONA FIDE INVESTIGATION RELATING
6 TO THE REGULATION OF LEGAL DRUGS.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 90-113.74(c) is amended by adding a new subdivision to
9 read:

10 "(c) The Department shall release data in the controlled substances reporting
11 system to the following persons only:

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13 (8) A sheriff whose office is involved in an investigation of diversion and
14 illegal use of prescription medication or a deputy sheriff whose
15 primary duties involve the investigation of diversion and illegal use of
16 prescription medication and who is engaged in a bona fide specific
17 investigation related to enforcement of laws governing licit drugs. The
18 sheriff shall notify the Office of the Attorney General of North
19 Carolina of each request for inspection of records maintained by the
20 Department."

21 **SECTION 2.** This act applies only to Pitt County.

22 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2008.
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