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HOUSE DRH50038-LH-57 (2/3)

Short Title: False Report to Law Enforcement.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Blust.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO MAKE FELONIOUS CERTAIN FALSE REPORTS TO LAW
3 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. G.S. 14-225 reads as rewritten:

6 "§ 14-225. False reports to law enforcement agencies or officers.

7 (a) For purposes of this section, the term "official inquiry" means the pursuit of an
8 investigative matter by a sworn agent of the State Bureau of Investigation pursuant to a
9 statutorily authorized request from the Governor or the Attorney General, assistance rendered
10 in accordance with G.S. 114-14, or an investigation being conducted as a matter of original
11 jurisdiction conferred upon the State Bureau of Investigation by North Carolina law.

12 (b) Any person who shall willfully make or cause to be made to a law enforcement
13 agency or officer any false, misleading or unfounded report, for the purpose of interfering with
14 the operation of a law enforcement agency, or to hinder or obstruct any law enforcement officer
15 in the performance of his duty, shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.

16 (c) In response to an official inquiry by a sworn agent of the State Bureau of
17 Investigation who is investigating a Class A, B, C, D, E, F, or G felony, any person who shall
18 willfully do any of the following is guilty of a Class H felony:

19 (1) Falsify or conceal by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact.

20 (2) Make any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or
21 representation.

22 (3) Use any false writing or document knowing the writing or document to
23 contain any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry."

24 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective December 1, 2009, and
25 applies to offenses committed on or after that date. The remainder of this act is effective when
26 it becomes law.

