

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013

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SENATE BILL 125

Short Title: Public Meeting/Records Law Violations. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Goolsby, Apodaca (Primary Sponsors); Cook, Harrington, Hise,
Jackson, Meredith, Newton, Pate, and Sanderson.

Referred to: Judiciary I.

February 25, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO MAKE VIOLATIONS OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS AND OPEN MEETINGS
3 LAWS A CLASS 3 MISDEMEANOR.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 132-9 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 "(a1) It is a Class 3 misdemeanor to deny access to public records for purposes of
7 inspection and examination or to deny copies of public records."

8 **SECTION 2.** Article 33C of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is amended by
9 adding a new section to read:

10 "**§ 143-318.18A. Violation of Article.**

11 Violation of this Article is a Class 3 misdemeanor."

12 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2013.

