

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 52**

Short Title: Sex Offender Residence Restriction/Clarify. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Sawyer, Perry, and Johnson (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

February 4, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON  
SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION  
IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OR LINES OF THE PROPERTY  
ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-208.16(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) A registrant under this Article shall not knowingly reside within 1,000 feet of any point of the property line or lines of the property on which any public or nonpublic school or child care center is located. This subsection applies to any registrant who did not establish his or her residence, in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, prior to August 16, 2006."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to all persons registered or required to register on or after that date. This act does not apply to a person who has established a residence prior to the effective date of this act in accordance with G.S. 14-208.16(d)(1), (2), or (3).

