A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 26 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 14-190.15A. Restrictions on adult live entertainment.

(a) Definition. – For purposes of this section, the term "adult live entertainment" means a performance featuring topless dancers, exotic dancers, strippers, or male or female impersonators who provide entertainment that appeals to a prurient interest, regardless of whether or not performed for consideration.

(b) Offense. – It is unlawful for a person to engage in adult live entertainment (i) on public property or (ii) in a location where the adult live entertainment is in the presence of an individual under the age of 18.

(c) Punishment. – A person who violates subsection (b) of this section is guilty of a Class A1 misdemeanor for the first offense. A person who violates subsection (b) of this section is guilty of a Class I felony for a second or subsequent offense."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2023, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.