

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1174

Short Title: Modify Jailer Liability.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Miller.

Referred to: Judiciary.

April 11, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LAW GOVERNING THE LIABILITY OF A KEEPER
OF THE JAIL FOR PHYSICAL INJURIES TO PRISONERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 162-55 reads as rewritten:

"§162-55. Injury to prisoner by jailer.

If the keeper of a jail or any jailer shall intentionally do, or cause to be done, any
~~wrong or physical~~ injury to the prisoners committed to his custody, contrary to law, ~~he~~
the keeper, if he caused the physical injury, or the jailer who caused the physical injury
shall ~~not only personally~~ pay treble damages to the person ~~injured, but shall be guilty of a~~
~~misdemeanor injured.~~"

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.