GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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H 1 **HOUSE BILL 234** Short Title: Disbursement Priority/Crim. Costs. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Dawkins; Flaherty and Buchanan. Referred to: Judiciary. February 15, 1989 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE PRIORITY FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS COLLECTED AS COSTS, FINES, OR RESTITUTION IN A CRIMINAL CASE. 3 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. G.S. 7A-304(d) reads as rewritten: 5 "(d) In any criminal case in which the liability for costs, fines, restitution, or any 6 other lawful charge has been finally determined, the clerk of superior court shall, unless otherwise ordered by the presiding judge, disburse such funds when paid in accordance with the following priorities: 9 10 Sums in restitution prorated among the persons entitled to (1) the restitution; 12 (1) (2) Costs due the county; (2) (3) Costs due the city; 13 (3) (4) Fines to the county school fund; 14 Sums in restitution prorated among the persons entitled thereto; (5) Costs due the State; 16 (6) Attorney's fees. 17 Sums in restitution received by the clerk of superior court shall be disbursed when: 18

Complete restitution has been received: or

In any event, at least once each calendar year."

will not be collected: or

When, in the opinion of the clerk, additional payments in restriction

Upon the request of the person or persons entitled thereto; and

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Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989, and shall apply to offenses occurring on or after that date.