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HOUSE BILL 501
Committee Substitute Favorable 4/18/89

Short Title: Harassing Call/Answering Machine.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 8, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO REPEATEDLY THREATEN
OR HARASS ANY PERSON BY COMMUNICATIONS MADE BY MEANS OF
A TELEPHONE ANSWERING MACHINE, TELEFACSIMILE MACHINE, OR
COMPUTER MODEM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-196(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Any of the above offenses may be deemed to have been committed at either
the place at which the telephone call or calls were made or at the place where the
telephone call or calls were received. For purposes of this section, the term 'telephonic
communications' shall include communications made or received by way of a telephone
answering machine or recorder, telefacsimile machine, or computer modem."

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