GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 792

| Short Title: False Bomb Alarm/Felony. | (Public) |
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| Sponsors: Senator Simpson. | |
| Referred to: Judiciary II. | |

April 24, 1991

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS A CLASS I FELONY TO MAKE FALSE BOMB THREATS OR SCARES REGARDING A STATE HOSPITAL FACILITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. G.S. 14-69.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-69.1. Making a false report concerning destructive device.

- (a) If any person shall, by any means of communication to any person or group of persons, make a report, knowing or having reason to know the same to be false, that there is located in any building, house or other structure whatsoever or any vehicle, aircraft, vessel or boat any device designed to destroy or damage the building, house or structure or vehicle, aircraft, vessel or boat by explosion, blasting or burning, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction, be fined or imprisoned or both in the discretion of the court.
- (b) If any person shall, by any means of communication to any person or group of persons, make a report, knowing or having reason to know the same to be false, that there is located in any State hospital facility as defined in G.S. 131E-6 any device designed to destroy or damage the hospital facility by explosion, blasting or burning, he shall be guilty of a Class I felony, and shall, upon conviction, be fined or imprisoned or both in the discretion of the court."

Sec. 2. G.S. 14-69.2 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-69.2. Perpetrating hoax by use of false bomb or other device.

(a) If any person, with intent to perpetrate a hoax, shall secrete, place or display any device, machine, instrument or artifact, so as to cause any person reasonably to believe the same to be a bomb or other device capable of causing injury to persons or

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- property, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction, be fined or imprisoned or both in the discretion of the court. 2
- A violation of subsection (a) of this section that occurs in a State hospital 3 facility as defined in G.S. 131E-6 is a Class I felony." 4
- Sec. 3. This act becomes effective October 1, 1991, and applies to offenses 5 occurring on or after that date. 6