## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## **EXTRA SESSION 1994**

S SENATE BILL 3\*

Short Title: Brutal Rape/Life without Parole. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Odom; Plexico, Plyler, Conder, Forrester, Walker, Harris, Johnson, Daniel, Speed, Lee, Lucas, Warren, Kaplan, Sands, Seymour, Ward, Parnell, and Albertson.

Referred to: Corrections/Punishment.

## February 9, 1994

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON CONVICTED OF A RAPE OR SEX

OFFENSE THAT THE COURT FINDS TO BE ESPECIALLY HEINOUS,

ATROCIOUS, OR CRUEL SHALL BE SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT

WITHOUT PAROLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. G.S. 14-27.2(b) reads as rewritten:

- "(b) Any person who commits an offense defined in this section is guilty of a Class B felony. If the court finds that the offense was especially heinous, atrocious, or cruel, the court shall sentence the person to life imprisonment without parole."
  - Sec. 2. G.S. 14-27.4(b) reads as rewritten:
- "(b) Any person who commits an offense defined in this section is guilty of a Class B felony. If the court finds that the offense was especially heinous, atrocious, or cruel, the court shall sentence the person to life imprisonment without parole."
- Sec. 3. This act becomes effective March 1, 1994, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.