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SENATE BILL 359  
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Short Title: Blue Light Bandit/Felony.

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March 13, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE IT A FELONY OFFENSE TO IMPERSONATE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER BY UNLAWFULLY OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH AN OPERATING BLUE OR RED LIGHT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 14-277(d) is repealed.

Sec. 2. G.S. 14-277 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(d1) Violations under this section are punishable as follows:

(1) A violation of subdivision (a)(1) or (2) is a Class 1 misdemeanor.

(2) A violation of subdivision (b)(1), (2), or (3) is a Class 1 misdemeanor.

Notwithstanding the disposition in G.S. 15A-1340.23, the court may impose an intermediate punishment on a person sentenced under this subdivision.

(3) A violation of subdivision (a)(3) is a Class I felony.

(4) A violation of subdivision (b)(4) is a Class H felony."

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective December 1, 1995, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date. Prosecutions for offenses committed before the effective date of this act are not abated or affected by this act, and the statutes that would be applicable but for this act remain applicable to those prosecutions.