## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

S SENATE DRS55046-LN-56 (1/31)

## Short Title: Prescription Drug Label/Country of Mfr. (Public) Sponsors: Senator Forrester. Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT REQUIRING THAT PRESCRIPTION DRUG LABELS CONTAIN THE COUNTRY OF MANUFACTURE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Effective January 1, 2008, G.S. 106-134.1(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Any drug dispensed by filling or refilling a written or oral prescription of a practitioner licensed by law to administer such drug shall be exempt from the requirements of G.S. 106-134, except subsections (1), (9)b and c, (13) and (14), and the packaging requirements of subsections (7) and (8), if the drug bears an affixed label containing the name of the patient, the name and address of the pharmacy, the phrase "Filled by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_," with the name of the practitioner who dispenses the prescription appearing in the blank, the serial number and date of the prescription or of its filling, the name of the prescriber, the directions for use, the name of the country in which the prescribed drug was manufactured, and unless otherwise directed by the prescriber of such drug, the name and strength of such drug. This exemption shall not apply to any drugs dispensed in the course of the conduct of a business of dispensing drugs pursuant to diagnosis by mail, or to a drug dispensed in violation of subsection (a) of this section.

Any tranquilizer or sedative dispensed by filling or refilling a written or oral prescription of a practitioner licensed by law to administer such drug shall be labeled by the pharmacist, if the prescriber so directs on the prescription, with a warning that: "The consumption of alcoholic beverages while on this medication can be harmful to your health."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.