

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 368
Finance Committee Substitute Adopted 4/30/13

Short Title: Inmates Prescriptions/Pistol Permits.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 20, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A TEN-DOLLAR CO-PAY FOR PRESCRIPTION
3 MEDICATION DISPENSED IN A COUNTY JAIL, TO RAISE THE PISTOL PERMIT
4 FEE COLLECTED BY SHERIFFS, AND TO PROVIDE THE PISTOL PERMIT FEE TO
5 BE AN APPLICATION FEE.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 153A-225(a) reads as rewritten:

8 "(a) Each unit that operates a local confinement facility shall develop a plan for
9 providing medical care for prisoners in the facility. The plan

- 10 (1) Shall be designed to protect the health and welfare of the prisoners and to
11 avoid the spread of contagious disease;
12 (2) Shall provide for medical supervision of prisoners and emergency medical
13 care for prisoners to the extent necessary for their health and welfare;
14 (3) Shall provide for the detection, examination and treatment of prisoners who
15 are infected with tuberculosis or venereal diseases.

16 The unit shall develop the plan in consultation with appropriate local officials and
17 organizations, including the sheriff, the county physician, the local or district health director,
18 and the local medical society. The plan must be approved by the local or district health director
19 after consultation with the area mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse
20 authority, if it is adequate to protect the health and welfare of the prisoners. Upon a
21 determination that the plan is adequate to protect the health and welfare of the prisoners, the
22 plan must be adopted by the governing body.

23 As a part of its plan, each unit may establish fees of not more than twenty dollars (\$20.00)
24 per incident for the provision of nonemergency medical care to ~~prisoners~~ prisoners and a fee of
25 not more than ten dollars (\$10.00) for a 30-day supply or less of a prescription drug. In
26 establishing fees pursuant to this section, each unit shall establish a procedure for waiving fees
27 for indigent prisoners."

28 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 14-404(e) reads as rewritten:

29 "(e) The sheriff shall charge for the sheriff's services upon ~~issuing the license or~~
30 ~~permit~~ receipt of an application a fee of ~~five dollars (\$5.00)~~ ten dollars (\$10.00) for each permit
31 requested."

32 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2013, and applies to fees assessed
33 or collected on or after that date.

