

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1989 SESSION

CHAPTER 94
HOUSE BILL 350

AN ACT TO CONFORM THE PENALTY FOR ILLEGAL CAMPAIGN
SOLICITATIONS TO OTHER MISDEMEANOR PENALTIES IN THE
ELECTION LAWS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 163-278.20 reads as rewritten:

"§ 163-278.20. Disclosure before soliciting contributions.

(a) It shall be unlawful for one or more individuals acting in concert, or for any group, committee, club or organization, of any type or nature, of two or more individuals, to solicit, attempt to solicit, or receive contributions for the purpose of supporting a candidate, political committee, referendum committee, or political party without first clearly advising those solicited as follows:

- (1) The name of the candidate(s) for whom the contribution will be used;
or
- (2) The name of the political committee or party for which the funds will be used; or
- (3) That a decision will be reached later as to the candidate(s), political committee(s), or political party(ies) to be supported and that the contributions solicited will be expended in a manner and for a purpose to be determined at a future date but no later than 20 days prior to the pending primary or general election; or
- (4) The name of the referendum committee for which the funds will be used.

(b) A violation of this section ~~shall be punishable by a fine not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or imprisonment of not more than one year, or by both fine and imprisonment is a misdemeanor.~~

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective with respect to elections held on or after January 1, 1990.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of May, 1989.