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SENATE BILL 651

Short Title: Local Confinement Med. Services.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Daniel.

Referred to: Human Resources.

April 16, 1991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DEFINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR PRISONERS IN LOCAL CONFINEMENT FACILITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 153A-217 reads as rewritten:

"§ 153A-217. Definitions.

Unless otherwise clearly required by the context, the words and phrases defined in this section have the meanings indicated when used in this Part:

- (1) 'Commission' means the Social Services Commission.
- (2) 'Secretary' means the Secretary of Human Resources.
- (3) 'Department' means the Department of Human Resources.
- (4) 'Governing body' means the governing body of a county or city or the policy-making body for a district or regional confinement facility.
- (5) 'Local confinement facility' includes a county or city jail, a local lockup, a regional or district jail, a juvenile detention home, a detention facility for adults operated by a local government, and any other facility operated by a local government for confinement of persons awaiting trial or serving sentences except that it shall not include a county satellite jail/work release unit governed by Part 3 of Article 10 of Chapter 153A.
- (6) 'Prisoner' includes any person, adult or juvenile, confined or detained in a confinement facility.
- (7) 'Unit,' 'unit of local government,' or 'local government' means a county or city.

1 (8) 'Emergency medical services' means the care rendered by a physician
2 or on the advice of a physician for the treatment of an injury or illness
3 of an urgent, critical nature in order to save life or limb, while the
4 prisoner is legally confined to a local confinement facility.
5 'Emergency medical services' does not mean any care rendered of a
6 nonemergency nature for a serious medical condition, nor does it mean
7 any care rendered after the prisoner is released from a local
8 confinement facility."

9 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification and applies to emergency
10 medical services given on and after this date.