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SENATE BILL 887

Short Title: Clarify Criminal Records Law.

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Sponsors: Senator Cooper.

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Referred to: Judiciary I/Constitution

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND OFFICIALS  
HAVE GOOD FAITH IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY FOR THE PUBLIC  
RELEASE OF RECORDS OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 132-1.4 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(m) No criminal or civil action may be maintained against a public law enforcement agency, its employees or agents, as a result of the release of the name or address of a complaining witness if before the release the agency, employee, or agent makes a good faith determination that releasing the information is not reasonably likely to pose a threat to the mental health, physical health, or personal safety of the complaining witness."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.