## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## **SESSION 1997**

H 1 **HOUSE BILL 153\*** Short Title: Dependent Juv. Definition Change. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Easterling; Adams, Baddour, Clary, Cunningham, Dickson, H. Hunter, Insko, Jarrell, Jeffus, McCrary, Moore, Mosley, Nye, Smith, Wainwright, Warner, Watson, and Wright. Referred to: Human Resources, if favorable, Judiciary II. February 13, 1997 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RECOMMENDED BY THE CHILD FATALITY TASK FORCE TO IMPROVE THE DEFINITION OF "DEPENDENT JUVENILE". The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. G.S. 7A-517(13) reads as rewritten: "(13) Dependent Juvenile. – A juvenile in need of assistance or placement because he the juvenile has no parent, guardian, or custodian responsible for the juvenile's care or supervision or whose parent, guardian, or custodian, due to physical or mental incapacity and the absence of an appropriate alternative child care arrangement, custodian is unable to

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Section 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1997, and applies to adjudications of dependency made on or after that date.

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