## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 1999

## HOUSE BILL 818 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT AMENDING THE EVIDENCE CODE, CHAPTER 8C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, TO MAKE ADMISSIBLE FOR THE PURPOSES OF IMPEACHMENT EVIDENCE OF A WITNESS' CONVICTION OF A FELONY OR CLASS A1, CLASS 1, OR CLASS 2 MISDEMEANOR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 8C-1, Rule 609(a) of the Evidence Code, reads as rewritten:

"(a) General rule. – For the purpose of attacking the credibility of a witness, evidence that he the witness has been convicted of a crime punishable by more than 60 days confinement felony, or of a Class A1, Class 1, or Class 2 misdemeanor, shall be admitted if elicited from him the witness or established by public record during cross-examination or thereafter."

Section 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 1999; and, consistent with G.S. 8C-1, Rule 1101(a), shall apply to all actions and proceedings in the courts of this State.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 13th day of May, 1999.

		Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate	
		James B. Black Speaker of the House of Representativ	es
		James B. Hunt, Jr. Governor	
Approved	m. this	day of	, 19