

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE DRH50231-LH-77 (2/23)

Short Title: Concealing a Death/Crim. Offense.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Preston.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO MAKE IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO CONCEAL THE DEATH OF A
3 PERSON.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Article 52 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by
6 adding a new section to read:

7 "**§ 14-401.22. Concealment of death.**

8 (a) Any person who, with the intent to conceal the death of a person, violates
9 G.S. 130A-115(e) by failing to notify the appropriate medical examiner of the death is
10 guilty of a Class A1 misdemeanor.

11 (b) Any person who, with the intent to conceal the death of a person, transports a
12 dead human body without legal authorization is guilty of a Class A1 misdemeanor.

13 (c) Any person who, with the intent to conceal the death of a person, buries or
14 cremates a dead human body without legal authorization is guilty of a Class A1
15 misdemeanor."

16 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2005, and applies to
17 offenses committed on or after that date.