

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2005**

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**SENATE BILL 507**

Short Title: Aggravating Factor/Add Social Worker. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senators Dalton; Atwater, Boseman, Hoyle, Kinnaird, Purcell, Snow, and  
Weinstein.

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Referred to: Judiciary II.

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March 15, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT AN OFFENSE COMMITTED AGAINST OR THAT  
2 PROXIMATELY CAUSES SERIOUS INJURY TO A SOCIAL WORKER IS AN  
3 AGGRAVATING FACTOR.  
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 15A-1340.16(d)(6) reads as rewritten:

7 "(d) Aggravating Factors. – The following are aggravating factors:

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9 (6) The offense was committed against or proximately caused serious  
10 injury to a present or former law enforcement officer, employee of the  
11 Department of Correction, jailer, fireman, emergency medical  
12 technician, ambulance attendant, social worker, justice or judge, clerk  
13 or assistant or deputy clerk of court, magistrate, prosecutor, juror, or  
14 witness against the defendant, while engaged in the performance of  
15 that person's official duties or because of the exercise of that person's  
16 official duties."

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