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HOUSE BILL 562\*

Short Title: Enhanced Penalty for Second Degree Trespass. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Brenden Jones, Murphy, Grange, and Malone (Primary Sponsors).

*For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.*

Referred to: Judiciary I

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR SECOND DEGREE TRESPASS ONTO CERTAIN PREMISES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-159.13 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-159.13. **Second degree trespass.**

(a) Offense. – A person commits the offense of second degree trespass if, without authorization, he enters or remains on premises of another:

(1) After he has been notified not to enter or remain there by the owner, by a person in charge of the premises, by a lawful occupant, or by another authorized person; or

(2) That are posted, in a manner reasonably likely to come to the attention of intruders, with notice not to enter the premises.

(b) Classification. – ~~Second~~ Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, second degree trespass is a Class 3 misdemeanor.

(c) A violation of subsection (a) of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor if the offense occurs in a multi-occupancy bathroom, shower, or changing facility."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2017, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

