March 12, 2007

S 685. DNR FORM SIGNATURES. Filed 3/12/07. TO REQUIRE THE SIGNATURE OF THE PATIENT OR THE PATIENT'S PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR REPRESENTATIVE ON "DO NOT RESUSCITATE" ORDER FORMS.

Amends GS 90-322 to require that the concurrence of a patient's agent, guardian, or relative in the withholding or discontinuation of extraordinary means or artificial nutrition or hydration must be written and signed on the *Do Not Resuscitate* order. Effective October 1, 2007. Intro. by Kinnaird. GS 90

May 22, 2007

S 685. STUDY DNR FORM SIGNATURES (NEW). Filed 3/12/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Replaces original bill with AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO STUDY REQUIRING THE SIGNATURE OF THE PATIENT'S PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR REPRESENTATIVE ON "DO NOT RESUSCITATE" ORDER FORMS. As title indicates. Requires report to the 2008 session of the 2007 General Assembly.

July 15, 2008

S 685. UP PENALTIES CROSS BURN/ILLEG. TO HANG NOOSE (NEW). Filed 3/12/07. House committee substitute deletes the provisions of the 2nd edition and replaces it with AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE PLACING OF A BURNING CROSS ANYWHERE IN THE STATE; RAISE THE PENALTY FOR BURNING A CROSS WITH THE INTENT TO INTIMIDATE: TO RAISE THE PENALTY FOR PLACING AN EXHIBIT WITH THE INTENT TO INTIMIDATE; TO RAISE THE PENALTY FOR PLACING AN EXHIBIT WHILE WEARING A MASK. HOOD. OR OTHER DISGUISE; TO CLARIFY THAT THE TERM "EXHIBIT" INCLUDES OBJECTS SUCH AS NOOSES: TO RAISE THE PENALTY FOR OFFENSE COMMITTED BECAUSE OF VICTIM'S BACKGROUND: TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF RECENT CROSS BURNINGS AND NOOSE HANGINGS ACROSS THE STATE: AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MODIFICATION TO THE CRIMINAL LAWS OF THE STATE. Amends GS 14-12.12 to make it unlawful for any person to place or caused to be placed a burning or flaming cross or any manner of exhibit which includes a burning or flaming cross real or simulated, anywhere in the state (was, on the property of another in this state or on a public street or highway). Makes conforming change to caption. Amends GS 14-12.13 (placing exhibit with intention of intimidating, etc., another) and GS 14-12.14 (placing exhibit while wearing mask, hood, or other disguise) to provide that the term exhibit includes items such as a noose. Amends GS 14-12.15 to increase the penalty for violations of GS 14-12.12(b), GS 14-12.13, and GS 14-12.14 from a Class I to a Class H felony. Amends GS 14-3(c) to provide that a Class A1 or Class 1 misdemeanor committed because of the victim's race, color, religion, nationality, or country of origin is a Class H (was, Class I) felony. Effective December 1, 2008, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

Requires the Legislative Research Commission to study the impact of recent cross burnings and noose hangings in the state and determine if any modifications need to be made to existing statutes. Requires the Commission to report its findings and recommendations for legislation to the 2009 General Assembly.

July 16, 2008

S 685. UP PENALTIES CROSS BURN/ILLEG. TO HANG NOOSE. Filed 3/12/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Amends GS 14-12.12 to limit the area in which it is unlawful to place or caused to be placed a burning or flaming cross or any manner of exhibit that includes a real or simulated burning or flaming cross onto the property of another in the state or on a public street or highway, or on any public place (previous edition stated anywhere in the state). Makes a conforming change to the title.

August 20, 2008

SL 2008-197 (S 685). UP PENALTIES CROSS BURNING/ILLEGAL TO HANG NOOSE. AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE PLACING OF A BURNING CROSS ON ANY PUBLIC PLACE; TO RAISE THE PENALTY FOR BURNING A CROSS WITH THE INTENT TO INTIMIDATE; TO RAISE THE PENALTY FOR PLACING AN EXHIBIT WITH THE INTENT TO INTIMIDATE; TO RAISE THE PENALTY FOR PLACING AN EXHIBIT WHILE WEARING A MASK, HOOD, OR OTHER DISGUISE; TO CLARIFY THAT THE TERM "EXHIBIT" INCLUDES OBJECTS SUCH AS NOOSES; TO RAISE THE PENALTY FOR OFFENSE COMMITTED BECAUSE OF VICTIM'S BACKGROUND; TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF RECENT CROSS BURNINGS AND NOOSE HANGINGS ACROSS THE STATE; AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MODIFICATION TO THE CRIMINAL LAWS OF THE STATE. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 7/15/08 and 7/16/08. Enacted August 8, 2008. Sections 1–4.1 are effective December 1, 2008. The remainder is effective August 8, 2008.