

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1340

Short Title: Court Fee for Littering. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Cole.

Referred to: Judiciary III, if favorable, Finance.

April 9, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A COURT FEE FOR PERSONS CONVICTED OF LITTERING
3 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT RESOURCES TO ENFORCE
4 THE LITTERING LAWS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 7A-304(a) is amended by adding new subdivision to read:

7 "(a) In every criminal case in the superior or district court, wherein the defendant is
8 convicted, or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, or when costs are assessed against the
9 prosecuting witness, the following costs shall be assessed and collected, except that when the
10 judgment imposes an active prison sentence, costs shall be assessed and collected only when
11 the judgment specifically so provides, and that no costs may be assessed when a case is
12 dismissed.

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14 (9) For support of local law enforcement, the court shall, upon conviction for a
15 littering violation under G.S. 7A-399, order payment of the sum of
16 seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) to be remitted to the county or municipality
17 employing the law enforcement officer who made the arrest to be used to
18 provide additional law enforcement resources for the enforcement of
19 G.S. 7A-399 in that county or municipality."

20 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2009, and applies to court
21 costs assessed or collected on or after that date.

