

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 98

Short Title: 911 Call Transcripts. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators McKissick, Atwater; Apodaca, Bingham, Blue, East, Forrester, Harrington, Hartsell, Hise, Jones, Kinnaird, Mansfield, Preston, Purcell, Rabon, Rucho, Stevens, and Vaughan.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

February 23, 2011

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A TRANSCRIPT OR ALTERED VOICE REPRODUCTION
3 MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR A 911 CALL SO AS NOT TO IDENTIFY THE
4 CALLER BY THE NATURAL VOICE.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 132-1.4(c) reads as rewritten:

7 "(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, and unless otherwise prohibited by
8 law, the following information shall be public records within the meaning of G.S. 132-1.

- 9 (1) The time, date, location, and nature of a violation or apparent violation of the
10 law reported to a public law enforcement agency.
11 (2) The name, sex, age, address, employment, and alleged violation of law of a
12 person arrested, charged, or indicted.
13 (3) The circumstances surrounding an arrest, including the time and place of the
14 arrest, whether the arrest involved resistance, possession or use of weapons,
15 or pursuit, and a description of any items seized in connection with the
16 arrest.
17 (4) The contents of "911" and other emergency telephone calls received by or on
18 behalf of public law enforcement agencies, except for such contents that
19 reveal the natural voice, name, address, telephone number, or other
20 information that may identify the caller, victim, or witness. In order to
21 protect the identity of the complaining witness, the contents of "911" and
22 other emergency telephone calls may be released pursuant to this section in
23 the form of a written transcript or altered voice reproduction; provided that
24 the original shall be provided under process to be used as evidence in any
25 relevant civil or criminal proceeding.
26 (5) The contents of communications between or among employees of public law
27 enforcement agencies that are broadcast over the public airways.
28 (6) The name, sex, age, and address of a complaining witness."

29 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

