

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 657

Short Title: Limitation for Prod. Liability Actions.

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Sponsors: Senator Gulley.

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Referred to: Judiciary I.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE LIMITATION WITHIN WHICH A PRODUCT LIABILITY CASE MAY BE BROUGHT FROM SIX YEARS TO FIFTEEN YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF PURCHASE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 1-50(6) is repealed.

Section 2. Article 5 of Chapter 1 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 1-46.5. Fifteen years.**

No action for the recovery of damages for personal injury, death, or damage to property based upon or arising out of any alleged defect or any failure in relation to a product shall be brought more than 15 years after the date of initial purchase for use or consumption."

Section 3. This act becomes effective October 1, 1999, and applies to causes of action that accrue on or after that date.