GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

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SENATE DRS75476-LH-266A* (02/06)

Short Title: Pitt Co. Sheriff/Access DHHS Drug Data Base. (Local)

Sponsors: Senators Jenkins, and Kerr.

Referred to:

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19 20 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF AND APPROPRIATE DEPUTY SHERIFFS IN PITT COUNTY TO ACCESS INFORMATION IN THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG DATABASE MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES WHEN THE SHERIFF OR DEPUTY SHERIFFS ARE ENGAGED IN A BONA FIDE INVESTIGATION RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF LEGAL DRUGS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 90-113.74(c) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(c) The Department shall release data in the controlled substances reporting system to the following persons only:

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(8) A sheriff whose office is involved in an investigation of diversion and illegal use of prescription medication or a deputy sheriff whose primary duties involve the investigation of diversion and illegal use of prescription medication and who is engaged in a bona fide specific

prescription medication and who is engaged in a bona fide specific investigation related to enforcement of laws governing licit drugs. The sheriff shall notify the Office of the Attorney General of North Carolina of each request for inspection of records maintained by the

21 <u>Department.</u>"

- 22 **SECTION 2.** This act applies only to Pitt County.
- 23 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2008.