## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

## **SENATE BILL 301**

Short Title: Expunge DWI Civil Revocation.

(Public)

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Sponsors: Senators Kinnaird; Kerr and Soles.

Referred to: Judiciary l (Civil).

## February 22, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT RECORDS OF A CIVIL REVOCATION OF
DRIVERS LICENSES SHALL BE EXPUNGED FROM AN INDIVIDUAL'S
DRIVING RECORD IF THE UNDERLYING CRIMINAL CHARGE IS
EXPUNGED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 5 OF CHAPTER 15A OF THE
GENERAL STATUTES.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 15A-145(c) reads as rewritten:

9 "(c) The court shall also order that the said misdemeanor conviction be expunged 10 from the records of the court, and direct all law-enforcement agencies agencies, 11 including the Division of Motor Vehicles, bearing record of the same to expunge their records of the conviction conviction or a civil revocation of a drivers license as the 12 13 result of a criminal charge. The clerk shall forward a certified copy of the order to the 14 sheriff, chief of police, or other arresting agency. The clerk shall forward a certified 15 copy of the order to the Division of Motor Vehicles for the expunction of a civil revocation provided the underlying criminal charge is also expunged. The sheriff, chief 16 or head of such other arresting agency shall then transmit the copy of the order with a 17 form supplied by the State Bureau of Investigation to the State Bureau of Investigation, 18 19 and the State Bureau of Investigation shall forward the order to the Federal Bureau of 20 Investigation."

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**SECTION 2.** G.S. 15A-146(b) reads as rewritten:

22 The court may also order that the said entries shall be expunged from the "(b) 23 records of the court, and direct all law-enforcement agencies agencies, including the 24 Division of Motor Vehicles, bearing record of the same to expunge their records of the 25 entries.entries, including civil revocations of drivers licenses as a result of the 26 underlying charge being expunged. The clerk shall forward a certified copy of the order to the sheriff, chief of police, or other arresting agency. The clerk shall forward a 27 certified copy of the order to the Division of Motor Vehicles for the expunction of a 28 29 civil revocation provided the underlying criminal charge is also expunged. The sheriff,

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chief or head of such other arresting agency shall then transmit the copy of the order
 with the form supplied by the State Bureau of Investigation to the State Bureau of
 Investigation, and the State Bureau of Investigation shall forward the order to the
 Federal Bureau of Investigation. The costs of expunging these records shall not be taxed
 against the petitioner."
 SECTION 3. This act becomes effective October 1, 2007, and applies to

7 offenses committed on or after that date.