GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2011

SESSION LAW 2011-321 SENATE BILL 98

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

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

- "(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, and unless otherwise prohibited by law, the following information shall be public records within the meaning of G.S. 132-1.
 - (1) The time, date, location, and nature of a violation or apparent violation of the law reported to a public law enforcement agency.
 - (2) The name, sex, age, address, employment, and alleged violation of law of a person arrested, charged, or indicted.
 - (3) The circumstances surrounding an arrest, including the time and place of the arrest, whether the arrest involved resistance, possession or use of weapons, or pursuit, and a description of any items seized in connection with the arrest.
 - (4) The contents of "911" and other emergency telephone calls received by or on behalf of public law enforcement agencies, except for such contents that reveal the <u>natural voice</u>, name, address, telephone number, or other information that may identify the caller, victim, or witness. <u>In order to protect the identity of the complaining witness</u>, the contents of "911" and <u>other emergency telephone calls may be released pursuant to this section in the form of a written transcript or altered voice reproduction; provided that the original shall be provided under process to be used as evidence in any relevant civil or criminal proceeding.</u>
 - (5) The contents of communications between or among employees of public law enforcement agencies that are broadcast over the public airways.
 - (6) The name, sex, age, and address of a complaining witness."

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 17th day of June,

2011.

- s/ Walter H. Dalton President of the Senate
- s/ Thom Tillis Speaker of the House of Representatives
- s/ Beverly E. Perdue Governor

Approved 11:09 a.m. this 27th day of June, 2011

