

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2019

SESSION LAW 2019-40  
SENATE BILL 151

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING A PHARMACY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Article 14 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 14-54.2. Breaking or entering a pharmacy.**

- (a) Definition. – The following definitions apply to this section:  
(1) Pharmacy. – A business that has a pharmacy permit under G.S. 90-85.21.  
(2) Controlled substance. – As defined in G.S. 90-87(5).  
(b) Offense. – A person who breaks or enters a pharmacy with the intent to commit a larceny of a controlled substance is guilty of a Class E felony.  
(c) Additional Offense. – Unless the conduct is covered under some other provision of law providing greater punishment, a person who receives or possesses any controlled substance stolen in violation of subsection (b) of this section, knowing or having reasonable grounds to believe the controlled substance was stolen, is guilty of a Class F felony.  
(d) Forfeiture. – Any interest a person has acquired or maintained in property obtained in violation of this section shall be subject to forfeiture pursuant to the procedures for forfeiture as set forth in G.S. 90-112."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2019, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

s/ Daniel J. Forest  
President of the Senate

s/ Tim Moore  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Roy Cooper  
Governor

Approved 2:34 p.m. this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2019

