



CHAPTER 14
ARTICLE 33 - PRISON BREACH AND PRISONERS

N.C.G.S. § 14-259.

Harboring or aiding certain persons.

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It shall be unlawful for any person knowing or having reasonable cause to believe, that any person has escaped from any prison, jail, reformatory, or from the criminal insane department of any State hospital, or from the custody of any peace officer who had such person in charge, or that such person is a convict or prisoner whose parole has been revoked, or that such person is a fugitive from justice or is otherwise the subject of an outstanding warrant for arrest or order of arrest, to conceal, hide, harbor, feed, clothe or otherwise aid and comfort in any manner to any such person. Fugitive from justice shall, for the purpose of this provision, mean any person who has fled from any other jurisdiction to avoid prosecution for a crime.

Every person who shall conceal, hide, harbor, feed, clothe, or offer aid and comfort to any other person in violation of this section shall be guilty of a felony, if such other person has been convicted of, or was in custody upon the charge of a felony, and shall be punished as a Class I felon; and shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor, if such other person had been convicted of, or was in custody upon a charge of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished in the discretion of the court.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to members of the immediate family of such person. For the purposes of this section "immediate family" shall be defined to be the mother, father, brother, sister, wife, husband and child of said person.

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APPARATUS I
7 ACTS

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01	1939	c. 72	ENACTED
02	1979	c. 760, s. 5	AMENDED
03	1979	2nd Sess., c. 1316, s. 47	AMENDED
04	1981	c. 63, s. 1, c. 179, s. 14	AMENDED
05	1983	c. 564, ss. 1-3	AMENDED
06	1993	c. 539, s. 161	AMENDED
07	1994	Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c)	AMENDED

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 14-259 (1994).

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