

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2009**

**SESSION LAW 2009-528
HOUSE BILL 889**

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR MISDEMEANOR DEATH BY MOTOR
VEHICLE FROM A CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR TO A CLASS A1 MISDEMEANOR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-141.4(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Punishments. – Unless the conduct is covered under some other provision of law providing greater punishment, the following classifications apply to the offenses set forth in this section:

- (1) Aggravated felony death by vehicle is a Class D felony.
- (2) Felony death by vehicle is a Class E felony.
- (3) Aggravated felony serious injury by vehicle is a Class E felony.
- (4) Felony serious injury by vehicle is a Class F felony.
- (5) Misdemeanor death by vehicle is a Class ~~A1~~ misdemeanor."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2009, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 11th day of August, 2009.

s/ Walter H. Dalton
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
Governor

Approved 9:25 a.m. this 27th day of August, 2009

