

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1961 SESSION

CHAPTER 740  
HOUSE BILL 656

1 AN ACT TO AMEND ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 8 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES TO  
2 PROVIDE THAT CERTIFIED COPIES OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS FILED IN THE  
3 STATE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY SHALL BE ADMISSIBLE AS  
4 EVIDENCE TO THE SAME EFFECT AS THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT.  
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:  
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8 **Section 1.** G.S. 8-6 is hereby amended by striking from lines three and four of said  
9 Section the words and punctuation "certified by him as true copies, shall be as good evidence,  
10 in any court, as the original.", and inserting in lieu thereof, following the words and punctuation  
11 "Secretary of State," in line three, the following words:

12 "or in the Department of Archives and History, which copies, upon certification by the  
13 Secretary of State as to those records in his office, or the State Archivist as to those records in  
14 the Department of Archives and History, as true copies, shall be as good evidence, in any court,  
15 as the original."

16 **Sec. 2.** G.S. 8-7 is hereby amended by inserting following the words and  
17 punctuation "of State," in line five thereof, the words and punctuation "or in the Department of  
18 Archives and History,".

19 **Sec. 3.** This Act shall not apply to pending litigation.

20 **Sec. 4.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

21 **Sec. 5.** This Act shall become effective upon ratification.

22 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 13th day of June,  
23 1961.