

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 451  
HOUSE BILL 149

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ANY PARTY MAY INTRODUCE PHOTOGRAPHS AS  
SUBSTANTIVE EVIDENCE UPON LAYING A PROPER FOUNDATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** Chapter 8 of the General Statutes of North Carolina is amended to add a new Article as follows:

"ARTICLE 13.  
"Photographs.

**"§ 8-92. Photographs as substantive or illustrative evidence.** — Any party may introduce a photograph, video tape, motion picture, X-ray or other photographic representation as substantive evidence upon laying a proper foundation and meeting other applicable evidentiary requirements. This section does not prohibit a party from introducing a photograph or other pictorial representation solely for the purpose of illustrating the testimony of a witness."

**Sec. 2.** This act shall become effective on October 1, 1981.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 26th day of May, 1981.