

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1983 SESSION

CHAPTER 688
HOUSE BILL 654

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR REVOKING CONSENT TO
ADOPTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 48-11 is amended by designating the present section as subsection (a) and adding a new subsection to read:

"(b) Revocation of a consent to adoption must be made in writing and must be signed by the person revoking consent before any person empowered to take acknowledgements of signatures pursuant to Chapter 47 of the General Statutes of North Carolina. If the petition for adoption and the consent have been filed according to G.S. 48-7(a), the person revoking consent shall deliver the revocation to the clerk of court in the county in which the petition for adoption and the consent are filed. If the person revoking consent is unable to determine the county in which the petition for adoption and the consent have been filed or if the petition for adoption has not been filed, then and in that event said person is responsible for delivering the revocation in person or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the person or to the director of social services to whom the consent was given or to the duly licensed child-placing agency to which the consent for adoption was given. The person, the director of social services, or the duly licensed child-placing agency shall immediately deliver the revocation to the clerk of court in the county in which the petition for adoption and the consent are filed or, if a petition for adoption has not been filed by the prospective adoptive parents, revocation of the consent shall prohibit the filing of such petition."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1983.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 6th day of July, 1983.