

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 448
HOUSE BILL 513

AN ACT TO GIVE NOTICE TO AGENCIES OF MOTIONS TO OPEN ADOPTION
RECORDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 48-26(a) is amended in the first sentence by placing a period after the word "jurisdiction", by deleting the clause "who may issue an order to open the record.", and by substituting the following:

"The movant must serve a copy of the motion, with proof of service, upon the Department of Human Resources, and the county department of social services or the licensed child placing agency which prepared the report in response to the order of reference issued pursuant to G.S. 48-16. The clerk of superior court shall give at least five days' notice to the Department of Human Resources and county department of social services or licensed child placing agency of every hearing on this motion, whether the hearing is before the clerk or a judge of the superior court, and the Department of Human Resources and the county department of social services or licensed child placing agency shall be entitled to appear and be heard in response to the motion. After hearing, the clerk may issue an order to open the record."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1985.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 24th day of June, 1985.