

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

**SESSION LAW 2005-251
SENATE BILL 593**

AN ACT TO EXEMPT ATTORNEYS APPOINTED TO REPRESENT INDIGENT CLIENTS FROM THE FEE CHARGED BY THE CLERK OF COURT FOR PREPARING COPIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7A-308 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(b1) The fees set forth in subdivision (12) of subsection (a) of this section are not chargeable when copies are requested by an attorney who has been appointed to represent an indigent person at State expense, if the request is made in connection with the appointed case and during the duration of the appointment."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2005, and applies to fees charged on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 27th day of July, 2005.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

s/ James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved 7:38 p.m. this 4th day of August, 2005