AN ACT EXPANDING THE CATEGORY OF INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE APPOINTED AS COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINERS IN CLEVELAND COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding G.S. 130A-382, the duly elected Coroner of Cleveland County shall appoint the medical examiners in Cleveland County. The Coroner of Cleveland County shall give preference to physicians licensed to practice medicine in this State when appointing medical examiners, but may also appoint licensed physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, coroners, assistant coroners, and emergency medical technician-paramedics.

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 13th day of July, 2015.

s/ Ronald J. Rabin
   Presiding Officer of the Senate

s/ Tim Moore
   Speaker of the House of Representatives