

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2015

SESSION LAW 2015-197
SENATE BILL 82

AN ACT TO ENSURE THE INTEGRITY OF BIRTH RECORDS PRESENTED FOR REGISTRATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 2 of Chapter 161 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 161-14.02. Registration of documents or instruments purporting to impact official birth records.

(a) Prior to recording a document or instrument that (i) purports to impact an official record of birth meeting the requirements of G.S. 161-14 and (ii) is not a birth registration or birth certificate, an amendment of a birth certificate, or a certificate of identification as defined in Article 4 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes, the Register of Deeds shall conspicuously mark the first page of the document or instrument with the following statement:

"THIS DOCUMENT IS NOT AN OFFICIAL BIRTH RECORD."

(b) This section does not apply to a document or instrument which is attached to real estate documents as an exhibit."

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 29th day of July, 2015.

s/ Philip E. Berger
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ Paul Stam
Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives

s/ Pat McCrory
Governor

Approved 3:30 p.m. this 5th day of August, 2015

