GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2005

S SENATE DRS75096-LL-70 (2/22)

Short Title: Permanent Jury Exemptions/65 and Older. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Clodfelter.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED FROM JURY DUTY ON ACCOUNT OF AGE TO REQUEST A PERMANENT EXEMPTION FROM THAT JURY SERVICE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 9-6.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 9-6.1. Excuses on account of age.

Any person summoned as a juror who is 65 years or older may establish his an exemption without appearing in person by filing a signed statement of the ground of his the exemption with the chief district court judge of that district, or the district court judge or trial court administrator designated by him the chief district court judge pursuant to G.S. 9-6(b)-9-6(b), at anytime five days before the date upon which he the person is summoned to appear. A person may request either a temporary or permanent exemption under this section, and the judge or trial court administrator may accept or reject either in the exercise of discretion conferred by G.S. 9-6(b), including the substitution of a temporary exemption for a requested permanent exemption. In the case of supplemental jurors summoned under G.S. 9-11, such notice may be given when summoned. In case the chief district court judge, or the judge or trial court administrator designated by him the chief district court judge pursuant to G.S. 9-6(b), shall reject rejects the request for exemption, the prospective juror shall be immediately notified by the trial court administrator or the clerk of court by telephone, letter, or personally."

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