

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1993

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HOUSE BILL 1755

Short Title: Outlaw Fortune Telling/Wayne Co.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Baddour, Braswell, and Russell.

Referred to: Judiciary III.

May 26, 1994

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO MAKE IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO PRACTICE PHRENOLOGY,
2 PALMISTRY, FORTUNE TELLING, CLAIRVOYANCE, AND OTHER
3 SIMILAR CRAFTS IN WAYNE COUNTY.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 14-401.5 reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 14-401.5. Practice of phrenology, palmistry, fortune-telling or clairvoyance**
8 **prohibited.**

9 It shall be unlawful for any person to practice the arts of phrenology, palmistry,
10 clairvoyance, fortune-telling and other crafts of a similar kind in the counties named
11 herein. Any person violating any provision of this section shall be guilty of a Class 2
12 misdemeanor.

13 This section shall not prohibit the amateur practice of phrenology, palmistry,
14 fortune-telling or clairvoyance in connection with school or church socials, provided
15 such socials are held in school or church buildings.

16 Provided that the provisions of this section shall apply only to the Counties of
17 Alexander, Ashe, Avery, Bertie, Bladen, Brunswick, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell,
18 Camden, Carteret, Caswell, Chatham, Chowan, Clay, Columbus, Craven, Cumberland,
19 Currituck, Dare, Davidson, Davie, Duplin, Durham, Franklin, Gates, Graham,
20 Granville, Greene, Guilford, Halifax, Harnett, Haywood, Henderson, Hertford, Hoke,
21 Iredell, Johnston, Lee, Lenoir, Madison, Martin, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Moore,
22 Nash, New Hanover, Northampton, Onslow, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Person,
23 Polk, Richmond, Robeson, Rockingham, Rutherford, Sampson, Scotland, Surry,
24 Transylvania, Union, Vance, ~~Wake and Warren.~~ Wake, Warren, and Wayne."

1 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1994, and applies to offenses
2 committed on or after that date.