## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2013

## SENATE BILL 584 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO EXPAND THE PROTECTION AGAINST FALSE LIENS TO INCLUDE THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR PUBLIC EMPLOYEE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

## **SECTION 1.** G.S. 14-118.6(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to present for filing in a public record or a private record generally available to the public a false lien or encumbrance against the real or personal property of a public officer or public employee officer, a public employee, or an immediate family member of the public officer or public employee on account of the performance of the public officer or public employee's official duties, knowing or having reason to know that the lien or encumbrance is false or contains a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation. For purposes of this subsection, the term "immediate family member" means a spouse or a child. Any person who violates this subsection shall be guilty of a Class I felony."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2013, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

- s/ Daniel J. Forest President of the Senate
- s/ Thom Tillis Speaker of the House of Representatives

Pat McCrory Governor

Approved \_\_\_\_\_.m. this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2013

