## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2015

## SENATE BILL 82 RATIFIED BILL

## 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:

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

(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 29<sup>th</sup> 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

Pat McCrory Governor

Approved	m. this	day of	, 2015
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