

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 456

Short Title: Reg. Deeds - No Abuse Info/AB.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Dockham.

Referred to: Human Resources, if favorable, Finance.

March 10, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THE REGISTER OF DEEDS TO
2 DISTRIBUTE INFORMATION ON THE DANGERS OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL
3 ABUSE DURING PREGNANCY WITH EACH MARRIAGE LICENSE.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 161-11.1 reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 161-11.1. Fees for Children's Trust Fund.**

8 (a) Five dollars (\$5.00) of each fee collected by a register of deeds on or after
9 October 1, 1983, for issuance of a marriage license pursuant to G.S. 161-10(a)(2) shall be
10 forwarded, as soon as practical but no later than 60 days after collection by the register of
11 deeds, to the county finance officer, who shall forward same to the State Treasurer for
12 deposit in the Children's Trust Fund.

13 (b) ~~The register of deeds shall distribute with each marriage license issued a~~
14 ~~pamphlet promoting the prevention of fetal alcohol syndrome, cocaine exposure, and~~
15 ~~other potential harm to the fetus from drug and alcohol abuse by the mother. The~~
16 ~~pamphlet to be distributed shall be prepared and paid for by the Department of~~
17 ~~Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, which shall forward the requisite number of~~
18 ~~copies to the register of deeds of each county. The funds necessary to prepare and~~
19 ~~distribute this pamphlet shall not come from the Children's Trust Fund."~~

20 Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.