

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1370

Short Title: Reform Medical Malpractice Evidentiary Rules. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Faison; and Mackey.

Referred to: Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity, if favorable, Judiciary III.

April 9, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PERMIT INTRODUCTION OF EVIDENCE REGARDING DEFENDANTS'
3 INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR LIABILITY IN ANY CIVIL ACTION.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 8 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
6 Article to read:

7 "Article 16.

8 "Insurance Coverage.

9 "**§ 8-115. Evidence of insurance coverage admissible.**

10 In any civil proceeding, including the questioning of jurors under G.S. 9-15, counsel of
11 record for the plaintiffs may present evidence or inquire regarding the existence, contents, and
12 coverage of any liability insurance policies held by any defendant."

13 **SECTION 2.** Rule 411 of the North Carolina Rules of Evidence, as contained in
14 G.S. 8C-1, is repealed.

15 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2009, and applies to any cause
16 of action arising on or after that date.

