

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL 71**

Short Title: Clarify County Comm Oath Filing. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Hurley and McNeill (Primary Sponsors).  
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO CLARIFY WITH WHOM THE OATH OF OFFICE TAKEN BY MEMBERS  
OF EACH BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHOULD BE FILED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 153A-26 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 153A-26. Oath of office.**

Each person elected by the people or appointed to a county office shall, before entering upon the duties of the office, take and subscribe the oath of office prescribed in Article VI, Sec. 7 of the Constitution. The oath of office shall be administered by some person authorized by law to administer oaths and shall be filed with the ~~clerk~~clerk to the board of commissioners.

On the first Monday in December following each general election at which county officers are elected, the persons who have been elected to county office in that election shall assemble at the regular meeting place of the board of commissioners. At that time each such officer shall take and subscribe the oath of office. An officer not present at this time may take and subscribe the oath at a later time."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2015.

