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Short Title: Criminal Law/Filing False Document. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Bingham (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Judiciary II.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE IT A CLASS I FELONY TO KNOWINGLY PRESENT FOR FILING A DOCUMENT THAT CONTAINS MATERIALLY INACCURATE INFORMATION FOR AN IMPROPER PURPOSE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Article 52 of Chapter 14 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 14-401.26. Filing false documents.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to present a document for filing with the register of deeds or clerk of superior court that the person knows is false or contains materially inaccurate or misleading information with the intent that the recorded document be used to alter an identity, defraud another person or entity, or circumvent legal name change procedures. A violation of this section shall be a Class I felony."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2015, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

