GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 240 HOUSE BILL 783

AN ACT TO CROSS-REFER IN THE ADOPTION STATUTES TO G.S. 14-320 REGARDING THE SEPARATION OF A CHILD UNDER SIX MONTHS OLD FROM A CUSTODIAL PARENT AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION AND TO MAKE A CLARIFYING AMENDMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 48 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new G.S. 48-3.1 to read as follows:

"**§ 48-3.1.** Application of G.S. 14-320. – The separation of a child under six months old from a custodial parent for the purpose of adoption shall be subject to the provisions of G.S. 14-320."

Sec. 2. The first sentence of G.S. 14-320 is amended by inserting between the phrase "places the child with relatives" and the phrase "or in a boarding home" the following phrase: ", or in private placement adoption,".

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 23rd day of May, 1985.