

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 1989**

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SENATE BILL 422

Short Title: Paternity Case Burden of Proof.

(Public)

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Sponsors: Senators Martin of Guilford; Marvin, Harris, and Allran.

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Referred to: Judiciary II.

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March 14, 1989

1                                   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE BURDEN OF PROOF IN CIVIL PATERNITY  
3       ACTIONS.  
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
5       Section 1. G.S. 49-14(b) reads as rewritten:  
6       "(b) Proof of paternity pursuant to this section shall be ~~beyond a reasonable doubt~~  
7 by clear, cogent and convincing evidence."  
8       Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989, and applies to cases  
9 arising on or after that date.