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HOUSE BILL 850

Short Title: Minimum Land Records Standards.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Redwine.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE LAND RECORDS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM TO
2 ADOPT RULES SPECIFYING MINIMUM STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES
3 IN LAND RECORDS MANAGEMENT AND TO REQUIRE REGISTER OF
4 DEEDS OFFICES TO COMPLY WITH THOSE STANDARDS AND
5 PROCEDURES.
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7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 Section 1. G.S. 143-345.6 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

9 "(b1) The Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, in
10 cooperation and agreement with the North Carolina Association of Registers of Deeds,
11 shall adopt rules specifying the minimum standards established pursuant to subsection
12 (b) of this section and procedures for complying with those minimum standards in land
13 records management. A copy of the standards adopted shall be posted in the office of
14 the register of deeds in each county of the State. Upon the petition of five or more
15 citizens, the Department shall, in cooperation and agreement with the North Carolina
16 Association of Registers of Deeds, consider amending the rules adopted pursuant to this
17 section."

18 Sec. 2. Article 2 of Chapter 161 of the General Statutes is amended by
19 adding a new section to read:

20 **"§ 161-22.3. Minimum standards for land records management.**

21 In addition to the recording and indexing procedures set forth in this Article, the
22 register of deeds shall follow the rules specifying minimum standards and procedures in
23 land records management adopted by the Department of Environment, Health, and
24 Natural Resources pursuant to G.S. 143-345.6(b1)."

1 Sec. 3. Section 2 of this act becomes effective January 1, 1993. The
2 remainder of this act is effective upon ratification.