

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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CHAPTER 697
HOUSE BILL 850

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE TO ADOPT RULES SPECIFYING MINIMUM INDEXING STANDARDS IN LAND RECORDS MANAGEMENT AND TO REQUIRE REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICES TO COMPLY WITH THOSE INDEXING STANDARDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

"(b1) The Department of Secretary of State, in cooperation with the North Carolina Association of Registers of Deeds, Inc., and the Real Property Section of the North Carolina Bar Association, shall adopt, pursuant to Chapter 150B of the General Statutes, rules specifying the minimum indexing standards established pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and procedures for complying with those minimum standards in land records management. A copy of the standards adopted shall be posted in the office of the register of deeds in each county of the State."

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

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

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

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15th day of July, 1991.

James C. Gardner
President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives