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SENATE BILL 1055  
Judiciary I Committee Substitute Adopted 4/28/99

Short Title: Certain Court Report Services.

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Referred to:

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April 15, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF A COURT REPORTING SERVICE THAT  
HAS AN INTEREST WHEN A DEPOSITION IS TAKEN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 1A-1, Rule 28(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) Disqualification for interest. – No deposition shall be taken before a person who is a relative or employee or attorney or counsel of any of the parties, or is a relative or employee of such attorney or counsel, or is financially interested in the action unless the parties agree otherwise by stipulation as provided in Rule 29. Further, no court reporting service shall take a deposition when the contract for the court reporting service is between a person authorized to take a deposition or any person with whom that authorized person has a principal and agency relationship, and any attorney, party to an action, or party having a financial interest in an action. This subsection does not apply to a contract for services to a governmental body. This subsection does not apply when the contract relates to a particular action pending before a court or administrative agency."

Section 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1999, and applies to depositions taken on or after October 1, 1999.