

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

**SESSION LAW 2009-273  
SENATE BILL 870**

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON ANY CHANGES NEEDED TO MAKE THE GENERAL STATUTES AND CONSTITUTION GENDER NEUTRAL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The General Statutes Commission shall study and recommend to the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly and the 2011 Regular Session of the General Assembly ways to make the General Statutes and the North Carolina Constitution gender neutral. These may include recommending legislative changes needed to make the General Statutes and the Constitution gender neutral and a process to be authorized by the General Assembly whereby changes that do not change the law can be made administratively by the Attorney General to make the General Statutes gender neutral.

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2009.

s/ Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
Governor

Approved 10:41 a.m. this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2009

