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H 1200. JOURNALISTS' TESTIMONIAL PRIVILEGE (=S 1009). *TO PROMOTE THE FREE FLOW OF INFORMATION TO THE PEOPLE OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CODIFYING THE JOURNALISTS' TESTIMONIAL PRIVILEGE.* Identical to S 1009, introduced 4/15/99.

Intro. by Miller.

Ref. to Judiciary I

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April 27, 1999

H 1200. JOURNALISTS' TESTIMONIAL PRIVILEGE. Intro. 4/15/99. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Changes privilege granted for confidential information to a qualified privilege. Raises standard for overcoming privilege to "highly relevant and material" (was, "relevant and material") to administration of the proceeding and "essential" (was, "critical or necessary") to maintenance of a claim or defense. Adds notice requirement to journalist for any order to compel testimony or produce material subject to the privilege. Changes effective date to Oct. 1, 1999 (was, Dec. 1, 1999).