April 12, 1999

H 973. MARRIAGE LICENSE CHANGE/STUDY. TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF A MARRIAGE LICENSE AND TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY CHAPTER 51 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES. Amends GS 51-8, effective when act becomes law, to allow an applicant who does not have a social security number to obtain a marriage license by filing a sworn statement that he or she is ineligible to obtain a social security number. Requires Legislative Research Commission to study chapter 51 to address specific issues listed in bill regarding the issuing of marriage licenses. Interim report due during 2000 Regular Session and final report due to 2001 General Assembly. Study provisions effective July 1, 1999.

Intro. by Hill.

Ref. to Judiciary III

**GS 51** 

April 21, 1999

**H 973. MARRIAGE LICENSE CHANGE.** Intro. 4/12/99. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes direction to Legislative Research Commission to study marriage statutes.

May 23, 2000

H 973. MARRIAGE BY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE. Intro. 4/12/99. Senate committee substitute rewrites title to read: "TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES ALLOWING A SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE TO PERFORM MARRIAGE CEREMONIES." Completely rewrites 2nd edition. Now amends GS 51-1 to add "superior court judge" to those who may perform marriage ceremonies. Effective when it becomes law and expires on September 15, 2000.

June 26, 2000

**H 973. MARRIAGE BY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE.** Intro. 4/12/99. Conference report recommends the following changes to 3rd edition to reconcile matters in controversy. Adds provision allowing out-of-state superior court judges to perform marriages.