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S 813. REGISTER OF DEEDS-INSTRUMENT STANDARDS. TO ENHANCE THE STANDARDS FOR INSTRUMENTS TO BE REGISTERED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS.

Rewrites GS 161-14(b) to set the following minimum standards that must be met by any instrument that is to be recorded: the instrument must (1) be 8½ by 11 inches, (2) have a blank top margin of 3 inches on the first page, and blank margins of ½ inch on rest of first page and all other pages, (3) be typed or printed in black on white paper in at least 10 point type, (4) be typed or printed on one page only, and (5) state the type of instrument at the top of the first page.

Requires register of deeds to reject any instrument that does not meet these standards. Effective July 1, 2002.

Intro. by Dalton.

Ref. to Judiciary II	GS 161
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S 813. REGISTER OF DEEDS-INSTRUMENT STANDARDS. Intro. 4/3/01. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Provides that if instrument does not meet requirements listed in act, register of deeds must register the instrument after collecting fee for nonstandard documents in addition to all other applicable recording fees rather than rejecting the instrument. Amends GS 161-10 to set fee for registering or filing a document not in compliance with recording standards in act at \$25.