## April 4, 2005

H 1087. CLARIFY DEFINITION OF SOCIAL WORKER. TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF SOCIAL WORKER UNDER THE SOCIAL WORKER CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE ACT. Redefines "social worker" in GS 90B-3(8) as a person with a bachelors degree or masters degree in social work who has graduated from a social work program accredited by the Council of Social Work Education or who has attained a doctorate in social work or received licensure or certification from the NC Social Work Certification and Licensure Board. Enacts new GS 90B-4(a1) to make it unlawful for any person who does not meet the definition of social worker to hold himself or herself out to the public as a social worker or to engage in the practice of social work. Intro. by Culpepper.

Ref. to Rules GS 90

## May 19, 2005

H 1087. CLARIFY DEFINITION OF SOCIAL WORKER. Intro. 4/4/05. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends GS 90B-3(8) definition of "social worker" to include an individual with a bachelors or masters degree who has graduated from an accredited school of social work or a school that is a candidate for accreditation (was, an individual who has graduated from a Council of Social Work Education accredited program). Enacts new GS 90B-10(a1) to exempt certain listed persons engaged in the practice of social work before October 1, 2007, from the academic qualifications required by Chapter if persons remain continuously employed in that field in NC. Requires that on or before October 1, 2007, the Office of State Personnel develop and implement a position classification for social workers exempt from education requirements. Makes technical changes. Statutory amendments are effective October 1, 2007.

## May 31, 2005

H 1087. CLARIFY DEFINITION OF SOCIAL WORKER. Intro. 4/4/05. House amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Enacts new GS 908-10(a2) providing that a county employee engaged in the practice of social work may hold himself or herself out to the public as a social worker if that person is not a social worker as defined in GS Chapter 90B if the county job title or description includes the phrase "county agency social worker."