

May 11, 2005

**H 1635. AMEND DISPLACED HOMEMAKER LAWS/UP FUND FEES. AMENDING THE LAWS PERTAINING TO DISPLACED HOMEMAKERS AND INCREASING THE FEE WHICH FUNDS THE NORTH CAROLINA WOMENWORK FUND FOR DISPLACED HOMEMAKERS.** Changes name of NC Fund for Displaced Homemakers to NC WomenWork Fund for Displaced Homemakers. Provides in revised GS 143B-394.10 that the North Carolina Council for Women will make grants to up to 50 displaced homemaker programs, that programs may use up to 20% of grant funds for administrative expenses (was, 10%), and that programs must have been in existence for at least two years to receive grants; deletes requirement that grants be quarterly and that Council report annually to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Changes criteria in GS 143B-394.4(4) for qualification as displaced homemaker. Repeals GS 143B-394.5, which directed council to establish or contract for pilot center for displaced homemakers, and enacts new GS 143B-394.5A, which directs council to consider location of displaced homemaker programs based on various factors and to establish grant criteria and baseline costs for their operations. For actions for absolute divorce filed on or after October 1, 2005, increases fee in GS 7A-305(a2) for filing divorce from \$20 to \$50, which continues to be remitted to NC WomenWork Fund. Remainder of act effective October 1, 2005.

**Intro. by Adams.**

Ref. to Finance

GS 7A, 143B

June 14, 2005

**H 1635. AMEND DISPLACED HOMEMAKER LAWS/UP FUND FEES.** Intro. 5/11/05. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends GS 143B-394.4(4) definition of "Center" to also include programs serving displaced homemakers (was, term included facilities only). Reinstates GS 143B-394.5 (establishment of pilot center) but deletes provision requiring that NC Council for Women consider certain criteria in deciding where to locate pilot center. Modifies proposed changes to GS 143B-394.10 to delete the proposed change of the name from Fund to the NC Fund for Displaced Homemakers to NC WomenWork Fund, to cap the number of centers that may be awarded grants at 35 (was, 35 - 50), to delete provision that would have raised from 10% to 20% the amount of Fund authorized to be used for administrative costs, and to reinstate annual reporting requirement. Amends GS 7A-305(a2) to increase fee for filing an action (was, final action) for absolute divorce to \$55 (currently \$20, 1st edition increased to \$50). Makes technical and conforming changes.

September 21, 2005

**SL 2005-405 (H 1635). AMEND DISPLACED HOMEMAKER LAWS/UP FUND FEES. AN ACT AMENDING THE LAWS PERTAINING TO DISPLACED HOMEMAKERS AND INCREASING THE FEE WHICH FUNDS THE NORTH CAROLINA FUND FOR DISPLACED HOMEMAKERS.** Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 5/11/05 and 6/14/05. Enacted September 20, 2005. Effective October 1, 2005.