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H 1113. OPT-OUT/ATTY SOLICITATIONS OF REPRESENTATION. Filed 4/6/09. TO ALLOW INDIVIDUALS CHARGED WITH TRAFFIC OFFENSES OR INVOLVED IN REPORTABLE ACCIDENTS TO CHOOSE NOT TO BE CONTACTED BY ATTORNEYS OFFERING LEGAL REPRESENTATION.

Amends GS 7A-148 to require, no later than December 1, 2009, that the multicopy uniform traffic ticket and complaint include an opportunity for the person charged with a traffic offense to specifically decline to receive direct solicitations or offers of legal representation related to that offense. Makes a technical change. Effective December 1, 2009, amends GS 20-166.1 to require an officer's accident report to also indicate, for each person involved in the accident, whether the individual specifically declines to receive direct solicitations or offers of legal representation related to the reportable accident. Applies to traffic offenses and reportable accidents occurring on or after December 1, 2009.

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H 1113. OPT-OUT/ATTY SOLICITATIONS OF REPRESENTATION. Filed 4/6/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Provides that substantive provisions of act apply to traffic offenses and reportable accidents occurring on or after December 1, 2009. Makes GS 7A-148(b), as amended, effective when it becomes law (was, effective December 1, 2009). Makes technical correction.