March 18, 2009

H 682. ADJUST CONFLICT THRESHOLD. Filed 3/18/09. TO ADJUST THE EXEMPTION LIMITS FOR SMALL LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE PUBLIC CONTRACTING STATUTES TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION SINCE LAST ADJUSTED SEVEN YEARS AGO, AND TO ALLOW AUTOMATIC ADJUSTMENTS TO ACCOUNT FOR FUTURE CHANGES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.

Amends GS 14-234(d1), which establishes the maximum contract amount of a contract or series of contracts from which an elected or appointed official in a small local government is permitted to derive a direct benefit when the official was involved in making or administering the contract(s) on behalf of a public agency, by increasing the public contract exemption amounts to \$14,500 (previously \$12,500) for medically-related services and \$30,000 (previously \$25,000) for other goods or services in a 12-month period. Requires the Attorney General to publish in the North Carolina Register, on July 1, 2011, and on July 1 of each odd-numbered year thereafter, the amount calculated by applying the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the most recent 24-month period to the dollar amounts set out above, or to the most recent revision of those dollar amounts pursuant to this section, whichever is later. Directs the revised amount to be applicable beginning December 1 of that year, and until December 1 of the second following year. Requires the Attorney General to notify the Revisor of Statutes of the revised amounts and requires the Revisor of Statutes to publish the revised amounts as part of this subsection. Effective December 1, 2009. Intro. by Guice. GS 14

April 16, 2009

H 682. ADJUST CONFLICT THRESHOLD. Filed 3/18/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition.

Amends GS 14-234(d1) to delete the proposed directive that would provide for an automatic change in dollar thresholds, based on the Consumer Price Index, effective December 1 of every odd-numbered year beginning in 2011. Instead, enacts new GS 12-5, *Uniform value change indexing*, to provide a uniform automatic procedure for changes in the value of money, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Provides that proposed GS 12-5 may be expressly referenced in other statutes so that it would automatically revise the dollar amounts in those statutes, based on the percentage change in the CPI for the 12-month period preceding July 1 of the previous year. Requires the Attorney General to cause the adjusted amounts to be published in the NC Register as soon as practicable and to notify the Revisor of Statutes of the revised amounts. Provides that the revised amount is applicable to each affected statute that expressly references GS 12-5 beginning January 1 of the next year and in effect until January 1 of the following year. Requires the Revisor of Statutes to publish revisions of each affected statute with the revised amount substituted for the previous amount.

Amends GS 14-234(d1) to provide that the dollar amounts in this subdivision are subject to the inflation indexing provisions of GS 12-5, effective for the dollar amounts in this subdivision on January 1, 2011.

Amends the effective date to make the act effective October 1, 2009 (was, December 1, 2009).

June 15, 2009

H 682. ADJUST CONFLICT THRESHOLD. Filed 3/18/09. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Amends GS 14-234(d1) to further increase the maximum contract amount of a contract or series of contracts from which an elected or appointed official in a small local government is permitted to derive a direct benefit when the official was involved in making or administering the contract(s) on behalf of a public agency, by increasing the public contract exemption amounts to \$20,000 (was \$14,500 in 2nd edition) for medically-related services and \$40,000 (was, \$30,000 in the 2nd edition) for other goods or services in a 12-month period. Deletes new GS 12-5 (Uniform value change indexing), which provided a uniform automatic procedure for changes in the value of money, based on the Consumer Price Index, and makes conforming changes. Changes the title to *AN ACT TO ADJUST THE EXEMPTION LIMITS*

FOR SMALL LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE PUBLIC CONTRACTING STATUTES TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION SINCE LAST ADJUSTED SEVEN YEARS AGO.

July 2, 2009

SL 2009-226 (H 682). ADJUST CONFLICT THRESHOLD. AN ACT TO ADJUST THE EXEMPTION LIMITS FOR SMALL LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE PUBLIC CONTRACTING STATUTES TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION SINCE LAST ADJUSTED SEVEN YEARS AGO. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/18/09, 4/16/09, and 6/15/09. Enacted June 30, 2009. Effective October 1, 2009.