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**H 724. OPEN RECORDS ATTORNEYS' FEES.** Filed 3/19/09. *TO PROVIDE THAT A PREVAILING PLAINTIFF IN A SUIT UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW IS ENTITLED TO REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES.*

Amends GS 132-9(c) to delete the provision allowing the court to deny award of attorneys' fees to the prevailing party where the court finds the agency acted with substantial justification in denying access or that circumstances would make the award of fees unjust. Effective July 1, 2009.

**Intro. by Cleveland.**

GS 132