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S 878. JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT/VOTER RETENTION. Filed 3/25/09. TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOR NOMINATION OF JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT AND JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENT, AND RETENTION BY VOTE OF THE PEOPLE.

Substantially identical to H 414, filed 03/04/09, except (1) H 414 provides that the Judicial Nomination Commission "shall" conduct an investigation of a nominee in addition to investigation of candidates for nomination, while S 878 provides that the commission "may" conduct such an investigation and (2) H 414 provides that the Governor "shall appoint a person nominated by the Commission," while S 878 provides that the Governor may not appoint someone who is not nominated by the Commission.

Intro. by Clodfelter.

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