

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY **AMENDMENT**

Senate Bill 514*

AMENDMENT NO. (to be filled in by Principal Clerk)

S514-ASA-45 [v.2]

Comm. Sub. [YES] Amends Title [YES] S514-PCS35297-RCx-51 Page 1 of 2

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Representative Bradley

1 moves to amend the bill on page 1, line 4

2 by rewriting that line to read:

3 "UNION THAT SHALL BE VALID OR RECOGNIZED IN THIS STATE, AND TO 4

AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT ALL AUTHORITY OVER

5 MARRIAGE BELONGS TO GOD."

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And on page 1, lines 25-27

By rewriting those lines to read:

"SECTION 4. Article 14 of the North Carolina Constitution is amended by adding the following new section:

'Sec. 7. Marriage.

Marriage belongs to the dominion of God under the authority of the Church. Licensure of marriage is prohibited in the State.'

SECTION 5. The amendment set out in Section 4 of this act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State at the statewide general election on November 6, 2012, which election shall be conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. Ballots, voting systems, or both may be used in accordance with Chapter 163 of the General Statutes. The question to be used in the voting systems and ballots shall be:

> '[]FOR [] AGAINST

Constitutional amendment to provide that marriage belongs to the sole authority of the church, and no other authority over marriage shall be recognized as valid by the State. This will end the practice of requiring a State license to marry.'

SECTION 6. If a majority of votes cast on the question are in favor of the amendment set out in Section 4 of this act, the State Board of Elections shall certify the amendment to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enroll the amendment so certified among the permanent records of that office.

SECTION 7. The amendments set out in Sections 1 and 4 of this act, if certified as provided in Sections 3 and 6 of this act, become effective January 1, 2013.

SECTION 8. This act is effective when it becomes law."

