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Short Title: Conflict of Interest/Certain Relationships. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Glazier, Faircloth, G. Martin, and Daughtry (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS REQUIRE RECUSAL IN THE
3 CONFLICT OF INTEREST ANALYSIS UNDER THE STATE GOVERNMENT ETHICS
4 ACT.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 138A-31 is amended to add a new subsection to read:

7 "(d) A covered person shall recuse themselves from any legislative, executive, or official
8 action if that action may result in a reasonably foreseeable financial benefit to a registered
9 lobbyist or liaison personnel, or that lobbyist's lobbyist principal or that liaison personnel's
10 State agency or governmental body, if the covered person is married to the lobbyist or liaison
11 personnel, or the covered person has a current dating relationship or current sexual relationship
12 with the lobbyist or liaison personnel. A dating relationship is one wherein the parties are
13 romantically involved over time and on a continuous basis during the course of the relationship;
14 a casual acquaintance or ordinary fraternization between individuals in a business or social
15 context is not a dating relationship."

16 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2015, and applies to legislative,
17 executive, and official actions taken on or after that date.

