

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

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**SENATE BILL 870  
Judiciary I Committee Substitute Adopted 5/7/09**

Short Title: Make General Statutes Gender Neutral.

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Sponsors:

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Referred to:

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March 26, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION TO STUDY AND  
3 MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON ANY CHANGES  
4 NEEDED TO MAKE THE GENERAL STATUTES AND CONSTITUTION GENDER  
5 NEUTRAL.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       **SECTION 1.** The General Statutes Commission shall study and recommend to the  
8 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly and the 2011 Regular Session of the  
9 General Assembly ways to make the General Statutes and the North Carolina Constitution  
10 gender neutral. These may include recommending legislative changes needed to make the  
11 General Statutes and the Constitution gender neutral and a process to be authorized by the  
12 General Assembly whereby changes that do not change the law can be made administratively  
13 by the Attorney General to make the General Statutes gender neutral.

14       **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

