GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1989 SESSION

CHAPTER 1056 SENATE BILL 1450

AN ACT RELATING TO THE MANNER OF FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF REGISTER OF DEEDS OF ASHE, SURRY, WATAUGA, AND GASTON COUNTIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 161-5(a1) reads as rewritten:

"(a1) When a vacancy occurs from any cause in the office of register of deeds, the board of county commissioners shall fill such vacancy by the appointment of a successor for the unexpired term, who shall qualify and give bond as required by law. If the register of deeds were elected as the nominee of a political party, the board of county commissioners shall consult the county executive committee of that political party before filling the vacancy and shall appoint the person recommended by that committee, if the party makes a recommendation within 30 days of the occurrence of the vacancy. Counties subject to this subsection are not subject to subsection (a). This subsection shall apply only in the following counties: Alamance, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Beaufort, Brunswick, Buncombe, Burke, Cabarrus, Caldwell, Carteret, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Gaston, Graham, Guilford, Haywood, Henderson, Hyde, Jackson, Madison, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Moore, New Hanover, Polk, Randolph, Rockingham, Rutherford, Stanly, Stokes, Surry, Transylvania, Wake, Watauga, and Yancey."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of July, 1990.