NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

SHORT TITLE: Service in DMV Cases

SPONSOR(S): Odom

FISCAL IMPACT					
	Yes()	No (X)	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 2000-01</u>	<u>FY 2001-02</u>	<u>FY 2002-03</u>	<u>FY 2003-04</u>	<u>FY 2004-05</u>
REVENUES					
EXPENDITURES Judicial Branch	No fiscal impact				
POSITIONS:					
 PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Judicial Department EFFECTIVE DATE: When the bill becomes a law 					

BILL SUMMARY: This bill amends GS 7A-211.1 to allow service of process by publication to a party that cannot otherwise be served.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

The Administrative Office of the Courts

According to the AOC, there would be an impact on the courts to the extent that permitting service of process by publication in these small claims cases could result in more people proceeding with such lawsuits. They have no data from which to prepare an estimate of the degree to which this would occur. Therefore, it is assumed that there would be no significant fiscal impact as a result of this bill.

This fiscal note measures the impact on the court system from this individual bill standing alone. While the impact on the courts from an individual bill may not be substantial, it is AOC's position that the court system cannot absorb the cumulative impact from all such bills likely to be passed in a given session.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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