GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 2001

H **2**

HOUSE BILL 1270
Committee Substitute Favorable 4/24/01

Short Title: East. Band of Cherokees' Full Faith and Credit. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 12, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT TO JUDGMENTS OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEES' TRIBAL COURTS AS THOSE COURTS RECIPROCALLY PROVIDE JUDGMENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA COURTS.

Whereas, the Eastern Band of Cherokees is a federally recognized Indian tribe; and

Whereas, the Eastern Band of Cherokees has established a system of tribal courts to deal with disputes between the parties under their jurisdiction; and

Whereas, the Eastern Band of Cherokees' Tribal Court accords full faith and credit to the judgments, decrees, and orders of the courts of this State; Now, therefore, The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The General Statutes are amended by adding a new Chapter to read:

"Chapter 1E.

"Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

"Article 1.

"Full Faith and Credit.

"**§ 1E-1. Full faith and credit.**

The courts of this State shall give full faith and credit to a judgment, decree, or order signed by a judicial officer of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and filed in the Cherokee Tribal Court to the same extent as is given a judgment, decree, or order of another state; provided that the judgments, decrees, and orders of the courts of this State are given full faith and credit by the Tribal Court of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians."

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