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Short Title: Candidate Challenge/Felony/Sheriff. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Clampitt.

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Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

July 24, 2018 1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE BURDEN OF PROOF IN CERTAIN CHALLENGES TO 3 CANDIDACY BE PLACED ON THE CHALLENGER UNDER THE LAWS 4 GOVERNING ELECTIONS. 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: **SECTION 1.** G.S. 163A-1029(a) reads as rewritten: 6 7 The Except for a challenge based on residency as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the burden of proof shall be upon the candidate, challenger, who must show by a 8 preponderance of the evidence of the record as a whole that he or she is the candidate is not 9 qualified to be a candidate for the office." 10 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to challenges to 11 12 candidacy on or after that date.

