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Short Title: Fraternal Benefit Societies.

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Sponsors: Senator Parnell.

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Referred to: Insurance.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE FRATERNAL BENEFIT SOCIETIES LAW BY  
3 MAKING A CORRECTION IN THE REPRESENTATIVE FORM OF  
4 GOVERNMENT SECTION AND BY INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF  
5 INSURANCE AN EXEMPT SOCIETY MAY WRITE.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. G.S. 58-340.3(a)(1) reads as rewritten:

8 "(1) Assembly.-The supreme governing body is an assembly composed of  
9 delegates elected directly by the members or at intermediate  
10 assemblies or conventions of members or their representatives,  
11 together with other delegates as may be prescribed in the society's  
12 laws. A society may provide for election of delegates by mail. The  
13 elected delegates shall constitute a majority in number and shall not  
14 have less than ~~a majority~~ two-thirds of the votes and not less than the  
15 number of votes required to amend the society's laws. The assembly  
16 shall be elected and shall meet at least once every four years and shall  
17 elect a board of directors to conduct the business of the society  
18 between meetings of the assembly. Vacancies on the board of  
19 directors between elections may be filled in the manner prescribed by  
20 the society's laws."

21 Sec. 2. G.S. 58-340.38(a) is amended by adding a new subdivision (5) to

22 read:

1           "(5) An association of local lodges of a society now doing business in this  
2           State which provides death benefits not exceeding five hundred dollars  
3           (\$500.00) to any one person, provided, that the Commissioner may  
4           authorize the payment of death benefits not exceeding two thousand  
5           dollars (\$2,000) to any one person, or may authorize disability benefits  
6           not exceeding three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or may authorize both  
7           payments, in any one year to any one person."

8           Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.