GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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H 1 **HOUSE BILL 59*** Short Title: State Dance - Clogging. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Holt; and Mercer. Referred to: Rules, Appointments and Calendar. February 12, 1991 1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO MAKE CLOGGING THE OFFICIAL STATE DANCE. 3 Whereas, clogging is a traditional American folk dance that developed during 4 the Colonial period in the Southern Appalachian mountains of the United States; and Whereas, clogging includes multicultural influences from European, African-5 American, and Native American folk dance traditions; and 6 Whereas, clogging is characterized by distinct, dignified, and beautiful 7 8 footwork performed by individuals, couples, and groups; and Whereas, clogging is enjoyed greatly by the people of this State and provides 9 wholesome entertainment to both participants and spectators; and 10 Whereas, clogging well represents the cultural heritage and folk dance 11 12 tradition of this State, the Southern Appalachians, and the United States of America; Now, therefore, 13 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 14 Section 1. Chapter 145 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new 15 section to read: 16 "§ 145-14. State dance. 17 Clogging is adopted as the official dance of the State of North Carolina." 18 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification. 19