## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

S D SENATE DRS75062-LL-37 (2/19) Short Title: Restrict Court-Ordered Arbitration. (Public) Sponsors: Senator Clodfelter. Referred to: A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 2 AN ACT TO RESTRICT COURT-ORDERED NONBINDING ARBITRATION TO DISTRICT COURT ACTIONS IN WHICH CLAIMS DO NOT EXCEED TEN 3 4

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The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 7A-37.1(c) reads as rewritten:

This procedure may be employed in civil actions in district court where claims do not exceed fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000), ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), except that it shall not be employed in actions in which the sole claim is an action on an account, including appeals from magistrates on such actions."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2003, and applies to actions and cases filed on or after that date.