GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2013

HOUSE BILL 168 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT GRANTING THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION JURISDICTION TO DECIDE DISPUTES BETWEEN AN EMPLOYEE'S PAST AND CURRENT ATTORNEYS REGARDING THE DIVISION OF A FEE AS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 97-90 is amended by adding a new subsection to read: "(f) The Commission shall hear and determine any dispute between an employee's current and past attorney or attorneys regarding the division of a fee as approved by the Commission pursuant to this section. An attorney who is a party to an action under this subsection shall have the same rights of appeal as outlined in subsection (c) of this section." SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to fee disputes

for which no action to adjudicate has been filed in superior court prior to that date. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 11th day of July, 2013.

> s/ Daniel J. Forest President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis Speaker of the House of Representatives

Pat McCrory Governor

Approved _____.m. this ______ day of _____, 2013

