GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1995 SESSION

CHAPTER 316 HOUSE BILL 463

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT ON THE NUMBER OF EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION CASES PENDING ACROSS THE STATE AND THE REASONS FOR DELAYS IN DISPOSITION OF THE CASES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall review the number of equitable distribution cases pending in each judicial district in this State as of January 1, 1995. The review and resulting report shall include the following:

- (1) Length of time from filing to disposition or current status of each case;
- (2) The judicial district in which each case is pending; and
- (3) For pending cases filed on or before January 1, 1994, the reasons for the delay in disposition of each case.

The Administrative Office of the Courts shall submit a written report to the General Assembly and to the Governor on or before January 1, 1996, citing specific findings resulting from the review, and recommendations to the General Assembly on how equitable distribution cases may be more timely resolved. The report shall include proposed legislation, if any, and the amount of funds necessary to enact the legislation.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 21st day of June, 1995.

Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives