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**SENATE BILL 240*
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Short Title: Develop Rules for Release of Path Materials.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND
3 THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD TO DEVELOP RULES GOVERNING
4 REQUESTS FOR AND RELEASE OF PATHOLOGICAL MATERIALS, AS
5 RECOMMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION ON
6 PATHOLOGICAL MATERIALS.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** The Division of Health Service Regulation, Department of Health
9 and Human Services (Department), shall adopt rules governing the procedures regarding the
10 request for and release of pathological materials made to clinical laboratories within the
11 jurisdiction of the Department. These rules shall be consistent with the North Carolina Hospital
12 Association Best Practices Principles and the College of American Pathologists 2003
13 Professional Relations Manual and shall be developed in consultation with the North Carolina
14 Medical Board to ensure consistency in procedures governing pathological materials.

15 **SECTION 2.** The North Carolina Medical Board (Board) shall adopt rules
16 governing the procedures regarding the request for and release of pathological materials made
17 to clinical laboratories within the jurisdiction of the Board. These rules shall be consistent with
18 the North Carolina Hospital Association Best Practices Principles and the College of American
19 Pathologists 2003 Professional Relations Manual and shall be developed in consultation with
20 the Division of Health Service Regulation, Department of Health and Human Services, to
21 ensure consistency in procedures governing pathological materials.

22 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

