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Short Title: Updating of Jury List.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE REGISTRAR TO ASSIST COUNTY JURY  
3 COMMISSIONS IN UPDATING THEIR LISTS OF PROSPECTIVE JURORS BY  
4 PROVIDING A LIST OF RESIDENTS OF EACH COUNTY WHO HAVE DIED  
5 RECENTLY; AND TO EXCLUDE FROM THE LISTS PROVIDED BY THE  
6 COMMISSIONER OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO COUNTY JURY  
7 COMMISSIONS THE NAMES OF PERSONS WHOSE DRIVERS LICENSES  
8 HAVE BEEN EXPIRED FOR AT LEAST EIGHT YEARS AND WHO HAVE  
9 BEEN INACTIVE VOTERS FOR AT LEAST FOUR YEARS.

10 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

11 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 9-2(b) reads as rewritten:

12 "(b) In preparing the list, the jury commission shall use the list of registered voters  
13 and persons with drivers license records supplied to the county by the Commissioner of  
14 Motor Vehicles pursuant to G.S. 20-43.4. The commission shall remove from the list  
15 the names of those residents of the county who are recently deceased, which shall be  
16 supplied to the commission by the State Registrar under G.S. 130A-121. The  
17 commission may use fewer than all the names from the list if it uses a random method  
18 of selection. The commission may use other sources of names deemed by it to be  
19 reliable."

20 **SECTION 2.** Article 4 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes is amended  
21 by adding a new section to read:

22 **"§ 130A-121. List of deceased residents for county jury commission.**

23 The State Registrar shall provide to each county's jury commission an alphabetical  
24 list of all residents of that county who have died in the two years prior to July 1 of each  
25 odd-numbered year, unless an annual jury list is being prepared under G.S. 9-2(a), in  
26 which case the list shall be of all residents of the county who have died in the year prior  
27 to July 1 of each year. The list shall include the name and address of each deceased  
28 resident and may be in either printed or computerized form, as requested by the jury  
29 commission."

1           **SECTION 3.** G.S. 20-43.4 reads as rewritten:

2   "**§ 20-43.4. Current list of licensed drivers to be provided to jury commissions.**

3       The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall provide to each county jury commission  
4   an alphabetical list of all persons that the Commissioner has determined are residents of  
5   the county, who will be 18 years of age or older as of the first day of January of the  
6   following year, and licensed to drive a motor vehicle as of July 1 of each odd-numbered  
7   year, provided that if an annual jury list is being prepared under G.S. 9-2(a), the list to  
8   be provided to the county jury commission shall be provided annually. The list shall  
9   include those persons whose license to drive has been suspended, and those former  
10   licensees whose license has been ~~enee~~anceled, except that the list shall not include  
11   the name of any formerly licensed driver whose license is expired and has not been  
12   renewed for eight years or more. The list shall contain the address and zip code of each  
13   driver, plus the driver's date of birth, sex, and drivers license number, and may be in  
14   either printed or computerized form, as requested by each county. Before providing the  
15   list to the county jury commission, the Commissioner shall have computer-matched the  
16   list with the voter registration list of the State Board of Elections to eliminate duplicates.  
17   The Commissioner shall include in the list provided to the county jury commission  
18   names of registered voters who do not have drivers licenses, and shall indicate the  
19   licensed or formerly licensed drivers who are also registered voters, the licensed or  
20   formerly licensed drivers who are not registered voters, and the registered voters who  
21   are not licensed or formerly licensed drivers. The list so provided shall be used solely  
22   for jury selection and election records purposes and no other. Information provided by  
23   the Commissioner to county jury commissions and the State Board of Elections under  
24   this section shall remain confidential, shall continue to be subject to the disclosure  
25   restriction provisions of G.S. 20-43.1, and shall not be a public record for purposes of  
26   Chapter 132 of the General Statutes."

27           **SECTION 4.** G.S. 163-82.11(e) reads as rewritten:

28       "(e) Cooperation on List for Jury Commission. – The State Board of Elections  
29   shall assist the Division of Motor Vehicles in providing to the county jury commission  
30   of each county, as required by G.S. 20-43.4, a list of all registered voters in the county  
31   and all persons in the county with drivers license records. The list of registered voters  
32   provided by the State Board of Elections shall not include any registered voter who has  
33   been inactive for four years or more."

34           **SECTION 5.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.