GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 971
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Short Title:	DSS Worker - Right of Entry.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Capps; Barnhart, Blust, Davis, Decker, Eddins, Ellis, Gillespie, Gulley, Hilton, Johnson, McComas, Rayfield, Setzer, Shubert, and Starnes.	
Referred to:	Judiciary II.	

April 4, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO RESTRICT THE AUTHORITY OF A SOCIAL WORKER TO ENTER A PRIVATE RESIDENCE FOR INVESTIGATION PURPOSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7B-302 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(h) A social services worker may not enter a private residence for investigation purposes without at least one of the following:

(1) The permission of the head of the household.

(2) The accompaniment of a law enforcement officer who has legal authority to enter the residence."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2001.