



# SENATE BILL 572: S Corp Pro Se Representation in Court.

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**OVERVIEW:** *Senate Bill 572 would allow an S Corporation to represent itself in any court in this State.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Currently, it is unlawful for any corporation to practice law or appear as an attorney for any person in any court, before any judicial body or the North Carolina Industrial Commission, Utilities Commission, or the Department of Commerce, or the Division of Employment Security.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 572 would create an exception to this representation rule for S Corporations, as defined in G.S. 105-131, which would allow an S Corporation to represent themselves and appear in any court of this State using a nonattorney representative who is an owner of the business entity, if the owner's interest is at least 25%.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The bill would be effective when it becomes law.

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