

## CHAPTER 99

**AN ACT** concerning certain documents intended for filing with county recording authorities and supplementing Title 47 of the Revised Statutes.

**BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

C.47:1-16 Social security numbers, prohibition of display, printing on certain documents publicly recorded.

1. a. No person, including any public or private entity, shall print or display in any manner an individual's Social Security number on any document intended for public recording with any county recording authority.

b. Whenever a document is presented for public recording with any county recording authority and that document displays a person's Social Security number, the recording authority shall delete, strike, obliterate or otherwise expunge that number prior to recording the document.

The fact that such a document is recorded without deleting, striking, obliterating or otherwise expunging that Social Security number shall not render the document invalid, void, voidable or in any way defective.

c. The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to a document originating with any court or taxing authority, any document that when filed by law constitutes a non-consensual lien against an individual, any publicly recorded document that is required by law to contain a Social Security number, or any document filed with or recorded by a County Surrogate.

d. The county recording authority shall not be liable for any claims arising from a violation of this act.

2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month following enactment.

Approved June 15, 2005.