

§ 143-136.1. (Effective January 1, 2025) Residential Code Council created; membership.

(a) Creation; Membership. – There is hereby created a Residential Code Council, which consists of 13 members appointed as follows:

- (1) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives who shall hold an unlimited general contractor license under Chapter 87 of the General Statutes and specializes in residential construction.
- (2) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate who shall hold an unlimited or intermediate general contractor license under Chapter 87 of the General Statutes and specializes in residential construction.
- (3) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives who shall hold a plumbing contractor license under Chapter 87 of the General Statutes and specializes in residential construction.
- (4) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate who shall hold a heating contractor license under Chapter 87 of the General Statutes and specializes in residential construction.
- (5) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives who shall hold an unlimited, intermediate, or limited general contractor license under Chapter 87 of the General Statutes and specializes in coastal construction.
- (6) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate who shall hold an unlimited, intermediate, or limited general contractor license under Chapter 87 of the General Statutes and specializes in residential construction.
- (7) One member appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation in accordance with Section 5(8) of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution, who shall hold an electrical contractor license under Chapter 87 of the General Statutes.
- (8) One member appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation in accordance with Section 5(8) of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution, who shall be a licensed professional engineer under Chapter 89C of the General Statutes and specializes in residential construction.
- (9) One member appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation in accordance with Section 5(8) of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution, who shall be a Level I or Level II Code-enforcement official employed by a municipality or county.
- (10) One member appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation in accordance with Section 5(8) of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution, who shall be a member of the public-at-large.
- (11) One member appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation in accordance with Section 5(8) of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution, who shall be a representative of the natural gas industry.
- (12) One member appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation in accordance with Section 5(8) of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution, who shall be a fire service representative.
- (13) One member appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation in accordance with Section 5(8) of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution,

who shall hold a general contractor license under Chapter 87 of the General Statutes and specializes in residential foundations or concrete placement.

(b) Terms; Vacancies; Chair. – Of the members initially appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one shall serve for a term of two years, one shall serve for a term of four years, and one shall serve for a term of six years. Of the members initially appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, one shall serve for a term of two years, one shall serve for a term of four years, and one shall serve for a term of six years. Of the members initially appointed by the Governor, two shall serve for a term of two years, two shall serve for a term of four years, and three shall serve for a term of six years. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for terms of six years. Appointments by the General Assembly shall be made in accordance with G.S. 120-121, and vacancies in those appointments shall be filled in accordance with G.S. 120-122. Vacancies in appointments made by the Governor shall be filled by the Governor subject to confirmation in accordance with Section 5(8) of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution. The Governor shall designate one member of the Council as chair.

(c) Compensation. – Members of the Residential Code Council, other than any who are employees of the State, shall receive seven dollars (\$7.00) per day, including necessary time spent in traveling to and from their place of residence within the State to any place of meeting or while traveling on official business of the Council. In addition, all members shall receive mileage and subsistence according to State practice while going to and from any place of meeting, or when on official business of the Council.

(d) Duties. – The Residential Code Council shall review and consider any proposal for revision or amendment to the North Carolina Residential Code, including applicable provisions from the North Carolina Energy Conservation Code, North Carolina Electrical Code, North Carolina Fuel Gas Code, North Carolina Plumbing Code, North Carolina Mechanical Code, North Carolina Existing Building Code, and any other code applicable to residential construction. This Council shall also consider any appeal or interpretation arising under G.S. 143-141 pertaining to the North Carolina Residential Code and make disposition of the appeal or issue an interpretation. (2023-108, s. 1(a); 2023-137, s. 51(a).)