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SENATE BILL 880

Short Title: Certificates of Rehabilitation. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Atwater.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION AND PAROLE  
COMMISSION TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR AND ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF  
REHABILITATION FOR NONVIOLENT EX-OFFENDERS WHO HAVE  
DEMONSTRATED SIGNIFICANT REHABILITATION IN ORDER TO ASSIST  
THOSE OFFENDERS IN OBTAINING EMPLOYMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 143B-266 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(f) The Commission may accept and consider requests from nonviolent ex-offenders for the issuance of a certificate of rehabilitation. For purposes of this subsection, a certificate of rehabilitation is a document that may be supplied to prospective employers stating that, in the opinion of the Commission, the ex-offender for whom the certificate is issued has demonstrated significant rehabilitation and is worthy of consideration for employment. The Commission shall develop appropriate requirements for application for a certificate of rehabilitation and shall develop procedures for determining whether to issue such a certificate to an applicant."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

