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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF RETIREMENT TO CLARIFY THAT SERVICE AS A VOLUNTEER GUARDIAN AD LITEM IN THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM PROGRAM OR AS A VOLUNTEER FOR A STATE HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION IS NOT CONSIDERED SERVICE FOR THE PURPOSE OF THAT DEFINITION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 135-1(20) reads as rewritten:

"(20) "Retirement" means the termination of employment and the complete separation from active service with no intent or agreement, express or implied, to return to service. A retirement allowance under the provisions of this Chapter may only be granted upon retirement of a member. In order for a member's retirement to become effective in any month, the member must render no service, including part-time, temporary, substitute, or contractor service, at any time during the six months immediately following the effective date of retirement. For purposes of this subdivision, service as a member of a school ~~board-board,~~ ~~or~~ as an unpaid bona fide volunteer in a local school administrative ~~unit-unit,~~ as an unpaid bona fide volunteer Guardian ad Litem in the Guardian ad Litem Program, or as an unpaid bona fide volunteer for a State historical and cultural organization shall not be considered service. For purposes of this subdivision, an unpaid bona fide volunteer for a State historical and cultural organization is prohibited from volunteering for a position in which the individual was previously employed."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2011.



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