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HOUSE BILL 205

Short Title: Increase Retirement Age for Judges. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Schaffer and Daughtry (Primary Sponsors).

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Referred to: Judiciary IV.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE FOR JUDGES AND JUSTICES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7A-4.20 reads as rewritten:

"§ 7A-4.20. **Age limit for service as justice or judge: exception.**

No justice or judge of the General Court of Justice may continue in office beyond the last day of the month in which ~~he~~the judge attains his ~~seventy-second~~or her seventy-fifth birthday, but justices and judges so retired may be recalled for periods of temporary service as provided in Subchapters II and III of this chapter."

SECTION 2. G.S. 135-57(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Any member who is a justice or judge of the General Court of Justice shall be automatically retired as of the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the later of January 1, 1974, or ~~his~~the judge's attainment of his ~~seventy-second~~or her seventy-fifth birthday; provided, however, that no judge who is a member on January 1, 1974, shall be forced to retire under the provisions of this subsection at an earlier date than the last day that he is permitted to remain in office under the provisions of G.S. 7A-4.20."

SECTION 3. This act is effective December 1, 2015, and applies to justices and judges holding office or elected on or after that date.



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