

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 585

Short Title: Create HBCU Advisory Board. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators D. Davis, Robinson, and Lowe (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 30, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE THE HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ADVISORY BOARD.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) There is established the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Advisory Board (Board). The Board shall be located administratively in The University of North Carolina – General Administration.

SECTION 1.(b) The Board shall be composed of 17 members as follows:

- (1) Seven members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, three of which are legislators. At least four of the appointees shall have attended or graduated from one of the historically black constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina.
(2) Seven members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, three of which are legislators. At least four of the appointees shall have attended or graduated from one of the historically black constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina.
(3) Three members appointed by the Governor, one of whom the Governor will designate as the Chair. At least one of the appointees shall have attended or graduated from one of the historically black constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina.

SECTION 1.(c) The Board shall study strategies and actions that can be taken to increase the rates of enrollment, retention, and graduation for the historically black colleges and universities that are constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina.

SECTION 1.(d) The Board shall meet upon the call of the Chair. A quorum of the Board shall be nine members. Any vacancy on the Board shall be filled by the appointing authority.

SECTION 1.(e) The University of North Carolina – General Administration shall provide meeting space, administrative support, equipment, and supplies to the Board.

SECTION 1.(f) The Board members shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowances in accordance with G.S. 138-5, 138-6, or 120-3.1, as appropriate.

SECTION 1.(g) The Board shall submit its preliminary findings recommendations to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina no later than December 15, 2015, and shall submit a final report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee, no later than March 15, 2016. The Board shall terminate on March 15, 2016, or upon the filing of its final report, whichever occurs first.

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

