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HOUSE BILL DRH30547-MQ-148

Short Title: Reconstitute Various Boards & Commissions. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative McGrady.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO RECONSTITUTE SEVERAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS HELD TO
3 HAVE UNCONSTITUTIONALLY APPOINTED MEMBERSHIP PURSUANT TO
4 MCCRORY V. BERGER AND COOPER V. BERGER.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 143B-168.4 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 143B-168.4. Child Care Commission – members; selection; quorum.

8 (a) The Child Care Commission of the Department of Health and Human Services shall
9 consist of 17 members. ~~Seven~~Nine of the members shall be appointed by the Governor and ~~four~~
10 eight by the General Assembly, ~~five~~four upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore
11 of the Senate, and ~~five~~four upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of
12 Representatives. Four of the members appointed by the Governor, two by the General Assembly
13 on the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and two by the General
14 Assembly on the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall be
15 members of the public who are not employed in, or providing, child care and who have no
16 financial interest in a child care facility. Two of the foregoing public members appointed by the
17 Governor, one of the foregoing public members recommended by the President Pro Tempore of
18 the Senate, and one of the foregoing public members recommended by the Speaker of the House
19 of Representatives shall be parents of children receiving child care services. Of the remaining
20 two public members appointed by the Governor, one shall be a pediatrician currently licensed to
21 practice in North Carolina. Three of the members appointed by the Governor shall be child care
22 providers, one of whom shall be affiliated with a ~~for-profit~~for-profit child care center, one of
23 whom shall be affiliated with a ~~for-profit~~for-profit family child care home, and one of whom shall
24 be affiliated with a nonprofit facility. Two of the members appointed by the Governor shall be
25 early childhood education specialists. Two of the members appointed by the General Assembly
26 on the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and two by the General
27 Assembly on recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall be child care
28 providers, one affiliated with a ~~for-profit~~for-profit child care facility, and one affiliated with a
29 nonprofit child care facility. ~~The General Assembly, upon the recommendation of the President~~
30 ~~Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the General Assembly, upon the recommendation of the Speaker~~
31 ~~of the House of Representatives, shall appoint two early childhood education specialists. None~~
32 ~~of the members may be employees of the State.~~

33 (b) Members shall be appointed as follows:

34 (1) Of the Governor's initial appointees, ~~four~~five shall be appointed for terms
35 expiring June 30, ~~2015~~2019, and ~~three~~four shall be appointed for terms
36 expiring June 30, ~~2016~~2020.



1 (2) Of the General Assembly's initial appointees appointed upon recommendation
 2 of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, ~~three-two~~ shall be appointed for
 3 terms expiring June 30, ~~2015,2019~~, and two shall be appointed for terms
 4 expiring June 30, ~~2016;2020~~.

5 (3) Of the General Assembly's initial appointees appointed upon recommendation
 6 of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, two shall be appointed for
 7 terms expiring June 30, ~~2015,2019~~, and ~~three-two~~ shall be appointed for terms
 8 expiring June 30, ~~2016;2020~~.

9 Appointments by the General Assembly shall be made in accordance with G.S. 120-121.
 10 After the initial appointees' terms have expired, all members shall be appointed to serve two-year
 11 terms. Any appointment to fill a vacancy on the Commission created by the resignation,
 12 dismissal, death, or disability of a member shall be for the balance of the unexpired term.

13 (c) A vacancy occurring during a term of office is filled:

14 (1) By the Governor, if the Governor made the initial appointment;

15 (2) By the General Assembly, if the General Assembly made the initial
 16 appointment in accordance with G.S. 120-122.

17 At its first meeting the Commission members shall elect a ~~chairman~~ Chair to serve a ~~two-year~~
 18 ~~term-term~~ expiring June 30, 2020. ~~Chairmen~~ A successor Chair shall be elected for two-year
 19 terms thereafter. The same member may serve as ~~chairman~~ Chair for two consecutive terms.

20 Commission members may be removed pursuant to G.S. 143B-13(d).

21 Commission members may be reappointed and may succeed themselves for a maximum of
 22 four consecutive terms.

23 The Commission shall meet quarterly, and at other times at the call of the ~~chairman~~ Chair or
 24 upon written request of at least six members.

25 The members of the Commission shall receive per diem and necessary travel and subsistence
 26 expenses in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 138-5. A majority of the Commission shall
 27 constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

28 All clerical and other services required by the Commission shall be supplied by the Secretary
 29 of Health and Human Services."

30 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 143B-135.240 reads as rewritten:

31 "**§ 143B-135.240. Clean Water Management Trust Fund: Board of Trustees established;
 32 membership qualifications; vacancies; meetings and meeting facilities.**

33 (a) Board of Trustees Established. – There is established the Clean Water Management
 34 Trust Fund Board of Trustees. The Clean Water Management Trust Fund Board of Trustees shall
 35 be administratively located within the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

36 (b) Membership. – The Clean Water Management Trust Fund Board of Trustees shall be
 37 composed of nine members appointed to three-year terms as follows:

38 (1) One member appointed by the Governor to a term that expires on July 1 of
 39 years that precede by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three.

40 (2) One member appointed by the Governor to a term that expires on July 1 of
 41 years that follow by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three.

42 (3) ~~One member~~ Three members appointed by the Governor to a ~~term~~ terms that
 43 ~~expires-expire~~ on July 1 of years that are evenly divisible by three.

44 (4) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
 45 of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate to a term that expires on July 1 of
 46 years that precede by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three.

47 (5) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
 48 of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate to a term that expires on July 1 of
 49 years that follow by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three.

50 (6) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
 51 of the ~~President Pro Tempore of the Senate~~ Speaker of the House of

Representatives to a term that expires on July 1 of years that ~~are evenly follow~~
by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three.

(7) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives to a term that expires on July 1 of years that precede by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three.

~~(8) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives to a term that expires on July 1 of years that follow by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three.~~

~~(9) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives to a term that expires on July 1 of years that are evenly divisible by three.~~

The initial terms of members appointed pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection shall expire June 30, 2019. The initial terms of members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (2), (5), and (6) of this subsection shall expire June 30, 2020. The initial terms of members appointed pursuant to subsections (1), (4), and (7) of this subsection shall expire June 30, 2021.

(c) Qualifications. – The office of Trustee is declared to be an office that may be held concurrently with any other executive or appointive office, under the authority of Article VI, Section 9, of the North Carolina Constitution. When appointing members of the Authority, the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall give consideration to adequate representation from the various regions of the State and shall give consideration to the appointment of members who are knowledgeable in any of the following areas:

- (1) Acquisition and management of natural areas.
- (2) Conservation and restoration of water quality.
- (3) Wildlife and fisheries habitats and resources.
- (4) Environmental management.
- (5) Historic preservation.

(d) Limitation on Length of Service. – No member of the Board of Trustees shall serve more than two consecutive three-year terms or a total of 10 years.

(e) Chair. – The Governor shall appoint one member to serve as Chair of the Board of Trustees.

(e1) Removal. – Members of the Board of Trustees may be removed pursuant to G.S. 143B-16.

(f) Vacancies. – An appointment to fill a vacancy on the Board of Trustees created by the resignation, removal, disability, or death of a member shall be for the balance of the unexpired term. Vacancies in appointments made by the General Assembly shall be filled as provided in G.S. 120-122.

(g) Frequency of Meetings. – The Board of Trustees shall meet at least twice each year and may hold special meetings at the call of the Chair or a majority of the members.

(h) Quorum. – A majority of the membership of the Board of Trustees constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(i) Per Diem and Expenses. – Each member of the Board of Trustees shall receive per diem and necessary travel and subsistence expenses in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5, and 138-6, as applicable. Per diem, subsistence, and travel expenses of the Trustees shall be paid from the Fund."

SECTION 3. G.S. 143B-135.202 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143B-135.202. North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority; members; selection; compensation; meetings.

(a) Membership. – The North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority shall consist of nine members. The members shall include persons who are knowledgeable about park and

1 recreation issues in North Carolina or with expertise in finance. In making appointments, each
2 appointing authority shall specify under which subdivision of this subsection the person is
3 appointed. Members shall be appointed as follows:

- 4 (1) One member appointed by the Governor.
- 5 (2) One member appointed by the Governor.
- 6 (3) One member appointed by the Governor.
- 7 (4) One member appointed by the ~~General Assembly upon the recommendation~~
8 ~~of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as provided in G.S.~~
9 ~~120-121.~~ Governor.
- 10 (5) One member appointed by the ~~General Assembly upon the recommendation~~
11 ~~of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as provided in G.S.~~
12 ~~120-121.~~ Governor.
- 13 (6) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
14 of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as provided in G.S. 120-121.
- 15 (7) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
16 of the ~~President Pro Tempore of the Senate,~~ Speaker of the House of
17 Representatives, as provided in G.S. 120-121.
- 18 (8) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
19 of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, as provided in G.S. 120-121.
- 20 (9) One member appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation
21 of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, as provided in G.S. 120-121.

22 (b) Terms. – Members shall serve staggered terms of office of three years. Members shall
23 serve no more than two consecutive three-year terms. After serving two consecutive three-year
24 terms, a member is not eligible for appointment to the Authority for at least one year after the
25 expiration date of that member's most recent term. Upon the expiration of a three-year term, a
26 member may continue to serve until a successor is appointed and duly qualified as provided by
27 G.S. 128-7. The terms of members appointed under ~~subdivision subdivisions~~ (1), (5), or (8)-(2),
28 and (3) of subsection (a) of this section shall expire on ~~July 1~~ June 30 of years that are evenly
29 divisible by ~~three~~ three, with the initial appointments expiring June 30, 2019. The terms of
30 members appointed under ~~subdivision subdivisions~~ (2), (4), or (7)(6), and (8) of subsection (a)
31 of this section shall expire on ~~July 1~~ June 30 of years that follow by one year those years that are
32 evenly divisible by ~~three~~ three, with the initial appointments expiring July 1, 2020. The terms of
33 members appointed under ~~subdivision~~ (3), (6), or subdivisions (5), (7), and (9) of subsection (a)
34 of this section shall expire on ~~July 1~~ June 30 of years that precede by one year those years that are
35 evenly divisible by ~~three~~ three, with the initial appointments expiring July 1, 2021.

36 (c) Chair. – The Governor shall appoint one member of the North Carolina Parks and
37 Recreation Authority to serve as Chair.

38 (d) Vacancies. – A vacancy on the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority shall
39 be filled by the appointing authority responsible for making the appointment to that position as
40 provided in subsection (a) of this section. An appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for the
41 unexpired balance of the term.

42 (e) Removal. – The Governor may remove, as provided in Article 10 of Chapter 143C of
43 the General Statutes any member of the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority appointed
44 by the Governor for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance. The General Assembly may
45 remove any member of the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority appointed by the
46 General Assembly for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance.

47 (f) Compensation. – The members of the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority
48 shall receive per diem and necessary travel and subsistence expenses according to the provisions
49 of G.S. 138-5.

50 (g) Meetings. – The North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority shall meet at least
51 quarterly at a time and place designated by the Chair.

1 (h) Quorum. – A majority of the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority shall
2 constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

3 (i) Staff. – All clerical and other services required by the North Carolina Parks and
4 Recreation Authority shall be provided by the Secretary of Natural and Cultural Resources."

5 **SECTION 4.** G.S. 74C-4 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 74C-4. Private Protective Services Board established; members; terms; vacancies;
7 compensation; meetings.**

8 (a) The Private Protective Services Board is hereby established in the Department of
9 Public Safety to administer the licensing and set educational and training requirements for
10 persons, firms, associations, and corporations engaged in a private protective services profession
11 within this State.

12 (b) The Board shall consist of 14 members: the Secretary of Public Safety or the
13 Secretary's designated representative, ~~three~~ seven persons appointed by the Governor, ~~five~~ three
14 persons appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro
15 Tempore of the Senate, and ~~five~~ three persons appointed by the General Assembly upon the
16 recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives. All appointments by the
17 General Assembly shall be subject to the provisions of G.S. 120-121, and vacancies in the
18 positions filled by those appointments shall be filled pursuant to G.S. 120-122. One of those
19 persons appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro
20 Tempore of the ~~Senate~~ Senate, three of the members appointed by the Governor, and all ~~five~~
21 three persons appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of
22 the House of Representatives shall be licensees under this Chapter; all other appointees may not
23 be licensees of the Board nor licensed by the Board while serving as Board members. All persons
24 appointed shall serve terms of three years. With the exception of the Secretary of Public Safety
25 or the Secretary's designated representative, no person shall serve more than eight consecutive
26 years on the Board. Board members may continue to serve until their successors have been
27 appointed. The initial terms of three of the members appointed by the Governor shall expire June
28 30, 2019. The initial terms of one member appointed by each authority making an appointment
29 pursuant to this subsection shall expire June 30, 2020. All other initial terms of members
30 appointed pursuant to this subsection shall expire June 30, 2021.

31 (c) Vacancies on the Board occurring for any reason shall be filled by the authority
32 making the original appointment of the person causing the vacancy.

33 (d) Each member of the Board, before assuming the duties of his office, shall take an oath
34 for the faithful performance of his duties. A Board member may be removed at the pleasure of
35 the authority making the original appointment or by the Board for misconduct, incompetence, or
36 neglect of duty.

37 (e) Members of the Board who are State officers or employees shall receive no per diem
38 compensation for serving on the Board, but shall be reimbursed for their expenses in accordance
39 with G.S. 138-6. Members of the Board who are full-time salaried public officers or employees
40 other than State officers or employees shall receive no per diem compensation for serving on the
41 Board, but shall be reimbursed for their expenses in accordance with G.S. 138-6 in the same
42 manner as State officers or employees. All other Board members shall receive per diem
43 compensation and reimbursement in accordance with G.S. 93B-5.

44 (f) The Board shall elect a chairman, vice-chairman, and other officers and committee
45 chairmen from among its members as the Board deems necessary and desirable at the first
46 meeting after July 1 of each year. The chairman and vice-chairman shall be selected by the
47 members of the Board for a term of one year and shall be eligible for reelection. The Board shall
48 meet at the call of the chairman or a majority of the members of the Board at such time, date, and
49 location as may be decided upon by a majority of the Board.

1 (g) All decisions heretofore made by the Private Protective Services Board, established
2 pursuant to Chapter 74B, shall remain in full force and effect unless and until repealed or
3 suspended by action of the Private Protective Services Board established herein.

4 (h) The Board shall pay the appropriate State agency for the use of physical facilities and
5 services provided to it by the State."

6 **SECTION 5.** G.S. 143B-472.128 reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 143B-472.128. Rural Infrastructure Authority created; powers.**

8 (a) Creation. – The Rural Infrastructure Authority is created within the Department of
9 Commerce.

10 (b) Membership. – The Authority shall consist of 16 members who shall be appointed as
11 follows:

12 (1) The Secretary of Commerce, who shall serve as a nonvoting ex officio
13 member, except in the case of a tie.

14 (2) ~~Five~~Three members appointed by the General Assembly upon the
15 recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and they shall
16 each represent a Tier 1 or Tier 2 county.

17 (3) ~~Five~~Three members appointed by the General Assembly upon the
18 recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and they
19 shall each represent a Tier 1 or Tier 2 county.

20 (4) ~~Five~~Nine members appointed by the Governor, and they shall each represent
21 a Tier 1 or Tier 2 county.

22 (c) Terms. – Members shall serve for a term of three years, except for initial terms as
23 provided in this section. No member of the Authority shall serve for more than two consecutive
24 terms, but a person who has been a member for two consecutive terms may be reappointed after
25 being off the Authority for a period of at least three years. An initial term that is two years or less
26 shall not be counted in determining the limitation on consecutive terms. ~~Initial terms shall~~
27 ~~commence on July 1, 2013.~~

28 In order to provide for staggered terms, ~~two~~five persons appointed to the positions designated
29 in subdivision ~~(b)(2)(b)(4)~~ of this section, ~~one person appointed to the positions designated in~~
30 ~~subdivision (b)(3) of this section, and two persons appointed to the positions designated in~~
31 ~~subdivision (b)(4) of this section~~ shall be appointed for initial terms ending on June 30,
32 ~~2014.2019~~. One person appointed to the positions designated in subdivision (b)(2) of this section,
33 ~~two persons~~one person appointed to the positions designated in subdivision (b)(3) of this section,
34 and two persons appointed to the positions designated in subdivision (b)(4) of this section shall
35 be appointed for initial terms ending on June 30, ~~2015.2020~~. ~~Two persons~~One person appointed
36 to the positions designated in subdivision (b)(2) of this section, ~~two persons~~one person appointed
37 to the positions designated in subdivision (b)(3) of this section, and ~~one person~~two persons
38 appointed to the positions designated in subdivision (b)(4) of this section shall be appointed for
39 initial terms ending on June 30, ~~2016.2021~~.

40 (d) Officers. – The Authority members shall select from among the membership of the
41 Authority a person to serve as chair and vice-chair. The chair and vice-chair shall each serve for
42 a term of one year, but may be re-elected to serve successive terms.

43 (e) Compensation. – Authority members shall receive no salary as a result of serving on
44 the Authority, but are entitled to per diem and allowances in accordance with G.S. 138-5 and
45 G.S. 138-6, as appropriate.

46 (f) Meetings. – The Secretary shall convene the first meeting of the Authority within 30
47 days after the appointment of Authority members under subsection (b) of this section. Meetings
48 shall be held as necessary as determined by the Authority.

49 (g) Quorum. – A majority of the members of the Authority constitutes a quorum for the
50 transaction of business. A vacancy in the membership of the Authority does not impair the right
51 of the quorum to exercise all rights and to perform all duties of the Authority.

1 (h) Vacancies. – A vacancy on the Authority shall be filled in the same manner in which
2 the original appointment was made, and the term of the member filling the vacancy shall be for
3 the balance of the unexpired term. Vacancies in appointments made by the General Assembly
4 shall be filled in accordance with G.S. 120-122.

5 (i) Removal. – Members may be removed in accordance with G.S. 143B-13. A member
6 who misses three consecutive meetings of the Authority may be removed for nonfeasance.

7 (j) Powers and Duties. – The Authority has the following powers and duties:

8 (1) To receive and review applications from local government units for grants or
9 loans authorized under G.S. 143B-472.127.

10 (2) To award grants or loans as provided in G.S. 143B-472.127. In awarding
11 grants or loans under G.S. 143B-472.127(a), priority shall be given to local
12 government units of the counties that have one of the 80 highest rankings
13 under G.S. 143B-437.08.

14 (3) To formulate policies and priorities for grant and loan making under
15 G.S. 143B-472.127, which shall include, among other things, providing for (i)
16 at least four grant application cycles during each fiscal year, (ii) the timely
17 distribution of grants and loans so as to allow local government units to
18 undertake infrastructure and other projects authorized under this Part without
19 undue delay, and (iii) the use of federal funds first instead of General Fund
20 appropriations where the project meets federal requirements or guidelines.

21 (4) To establish a threshold amount for emergency grants and loans that may be
22 awarded by the Assistant Secretary without the prior approval of the
23 Authority. Any emergency grants or loans awarded by the Assistant Secretary
24 pursuant to this subdivision shall meet the requirements of
25 G.S. 143B-472.127(a) or (b), and shall comply with policies and procedures
26 adopted by the Authority. The Assistant Secretary shall, as soon as
27 practicable, inform the Authority of any emergency grants or loans made
28 under this subdivision, including the name of the local government unit to
29 which the grant or loan was made, the amount of the grant or loan, and the
30 project for which the grant or loan was requested.

31 (5) To determine ways in which the Rural Economic Development Division can
32 aid local government units in meeting the costs for preliminary project
33 planning needed for making an application for a grant or loan under
34 G.S. 143B-472.127.

35 (6) To determine ways in which the Rural Economic Development Division can
36 effectively disseminate information to local government units about the
37 availability of grants or loans under G.S. 143B-472.127, the application and
38 review process, and any other information that may be deemed useful to local
39 government units in obtaining grants or loans.

40 (7) To review from time to time the effectiveness of the grant or loan programs
41 under G.S. 143B-472.127 and to determine ways in which the programs may
42 be improved to better serve local government units.

43 (8) No later than September 1 of each year, to submit a report to the Senate
44 Appropriations Committee on Natural and Economic Resources, the House
45 Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources, and the
46 Fiscal Research Division that details all of the following:

47 a. Total number of awards made in the previous fiscal year.

48 b. Geographic display of awards made.

49 c. Total number of jobs created in the previous fiscal year.

50 d. Recommended policy changes that would benefit economic
51 development in rural areas of the State."

1 (8) A public member who is knowledgeable in the building construction or
2 building maintenance area, appointed by the General Assembly upon the
3 recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate in accordance
4 with G.S. 120-121.

5 (9) A representative of local government, chosen from among not more than two
6 persons nominated by the North Carolina Association of County
7 Commissioners and two persons nominated by the North Carolina League of
8 Municipalities, appointed by the General Assembly upon recommendation of
9 the Speaker of the House of Representatives in accordance with G.S. 120-121.

10 The members shall be appointed for staggered three-year terms: ~~The initial appointments to~~
11 ~~the Commission shall be made within 15 days of the effective date of this act [April 14, 1987].~~
12 The initial terms of members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (1), ~~(2),(4)~~, and ~~(3)(5)~~ of this
13 subsection shall expire June 30, ~~1990;2019~~; the initial terms of members appointed pursuant to
14 ~~(4),(5),(2), (3)~~, and (6) of this subsection shall expire June 30, ~~1989;2020~~; and the initial terms
15 of members appointed pursuant to (7), (8), and (9) shall expire June 30, ~~1988;2021~~. Members
16 may serve no more than six consecutive years. In making new appointments or filling vacancies,
17 the Governor shall ensure that minorities and women are represented on the Commission.

18 Members of the Commission may be removed pursuant to G.S. 143B-13(d).

19 Vacancies in appointments made by the Governor shall be filled by the Governor for the
20 remainder of the unexpired terms. Vacancies in appointments made by the General Assembly
21 shall be filled in accordance with G.S. 120-122. Persons appointed to fill vacancies shall qualify
22 in the same manner as persons appointed for full terms.

23 The chairman of the Commission shall be elected by the Commission. The Secretary of State
24 shall serve as chairman until a chairman is elected.

25 (d) The Commission shall meet at least four times a year on or about January 15, April
26 15, July 15, and October 15. The Commission shall also meet upon the call of the chairman, or
27 upon call of at least five members. The Secretary of State shall call the first meeting within 30
28 days of the effective date of this act; the first order of business at the first meeting shall be the
29 election of a chairman by the Commission.

30 (e) Members of the Commission who are not State officers or employees shall receive
31 per diem of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) a day when the Commission meets and shall be
32 reimbursed for travel and subsistence as provided in G.S. 138-5. Members who are State officers
33 or employees shall be reimbursed for travel and subsistence as provided in G.S. 138-6."

34 **SECTION 7.** This act is effective when it becomes law. All rules, regulations, and
35 decisions made by the predecessor boards, commissions, and authorities reconstituted in this act
36 shall remain in full force and effect until and unless duly modified by the successor entities.