# GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

#### **SESSION 1991**

#### **SENATE BILL 659**

Short Title: National Guard Awards.

Sponsors: Senators Staton; Ballance, Carpenter, Conder, Daughtry, Hunt, Hyde, Johnson, Lee, Murphy, Parnell, Perdue, Plyler, Sherron, Smith, Walker and Winner.

Referred to: Veteran and Military Affairs, Law Enforcement, and Senior Citizens.

# April 17, 1991

#### A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

# 2 AN ACT TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO STATUTES GOVERNING NATIONAL3 GUARD AWARDS.

- 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
  - Section 1. G.S. 127A-45 reads as rewritten:

#### 6 "§ 127A-45. North Carolina National Guard State Active Duty Award.

There is hereby created the North Carolina National Guard State Active Duty Award 7 which shall be a ribbon of appropriate design. This ribbon and appurtenances thereto 8 9 shall be of a design approved by the Governor or his designated representative. The Adjutant General of North Carolina is authorized to award-present this ribbon to 10 members of the North Carolina national guard who who, satisfactorily serve a tour of State 11 active duty on or after July 1, 1974, by order of the Governor and said-Governor, 12 satisfactorily serve a tour of State active duty-duty. having been designated-These tours of 13 14 State active duty to be determined by the Adjutant General of North Carolina as worthy of this award. Said tours of State active duty designated for this award are to be of such nature 15 as to be a distinct and notable service to a community or the State. to be of such nature as to 16 be a distinct and notable service to the State or a community and worthy of this award. 17 On or after July 1, 1991, this award may also be presented to Active Guard/Reserve 18 personnel who satisfactorily participate in tours of State Active Duty." 19

20 Sec. 2. G.S. 127A-44 reads as rewritten:

### 21 "§ 127A-44. North Carolina National Guard Commendation Medal.

There is hereby created the North Carolina National Guard Commendation Medal which shall be of appropriate design, and a ribbon, together with a rosette or other

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device to be worn in lieu thereof. This medal and appurtenances thereto shall be of a 1 2 design approved by the Governor or his designated representative. The Adjutant 3 General of North Carolina or his designated representative, who shall not be below the grade of general officer, who shall not be below the rank of colonel (O-6), is authorized to 4 award this medal. Any member or former member of the armed forces discharged under 5 6 honorable conditions, who distinguishes himself by his example or the performance of a 7 specific act in behalf of the North Carolina national guard, is eligible for this award." 8 Sec. 3. Chapter 127A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new 9 section to read: 10 "§ 127A-44.1. North Carolina National Guard Achievement Medal. There is hereby created the North Carolina National Guard Achievement Medal 11 12 which shall be of appropriate design, and a ribbon, together with a rosette or other device to be worn in lieu thereof. This medal and appurtenances thereto shall be of a 13 14 design approved by the Governor or his designated representative, the Adjutant General 15 of North Carolina or his designated representative, who shall not be below the rank of lieutenant colonel (O-5), is authorized to award this medal. Any member or former 16 17 member of the armed forces discharged under honorable conditions, who distinguishes 18 himself by his example or the performance of a specific act in behalf of the North Carolina National Guard, is eligible for this award." 19 20 Sec. 4. Chapter 127A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new 21 section to read: "§ 127A-45.2A. North Carolina National Guard Outstanding Unit Award. 22 23 There is hereby created the North Carolina National Guard Outstanding Unit Award 24 which shall be a streamer, a unit emblem, and a certificate, all of appropriate design as approved by the Governor or his designated representative. The Adjutant General is 25 authorized to present this citation to any unit of the North Carolina National Guard 26 27 distinguishing itself through meritorious achievement or service to the State of North Carolina. The required meritorious service, while of a lesser degree than that required 28 29 for the award of the North Carolina National Guard Meritorious Unit Citation, must 30 nevertheless have been accomplished with distinction." Sec. 5. This act becomes effective October 1, 1991. 31