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Short Title: Consolidate Youth Councils/AB.

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Sponsors: Representatives Easterling; Goodwin and Jeffus.

Referred to: State Government.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO CONSOLIDATE THE YOUTH ADVISORY AND NORTH CAROLINA
2 INTERNSHIP COUNCILS WITHIN THE YOUTH ADVOCACY COUNCIL IN
3 THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND TO MAKE CONFORMING
4 CHANGES TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. Parts 7 and 18 of Article 9 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes
8 are repealed.

9 Section 2. G.S. 143B-414 reads as rewritten:

10 "**§ 143B-414. Governor's Advocacy Council on Children and Youth – creation;**
11 **powers and duties.**

12 (a) There is hereby created the Governor's Advocacy Council on Children and
13 Youth of the Department of Administration. The Council shall be organized into the
14 following committees: an Advocacy Committee, a State Youth Programs Committee,
15 and an Internship Program Committee.

16 (b) The Council shall have the following functions and duties:

17 (1) To act as an advocate for children and youth within State and local
18 governments, and with private agencies serving children and youth;

- 1 (2) To provide assistance ~~in the development and coordination of~~ to
2 individuals and children in child advocacy systems at the regional and
3 ~~local levels within the State;~~
- 4 (3) To perform a continuing review of existing programs of State
5 government for children and youth and their families;
- 6 (4) To, in cooperation with State, local or private agencies, identify needs
7 of children and youth and their families that are not currently being met
8 and recommend new programs or improvement of existing programs;
- 9 (5) To review any new programs affecting children and youth proposed by
10 any State agency and recommend changes to avoid duplication of
11 services, to promote better planning, or otherwise to make more
12 effective use of available resources;
- 13 (5.1) To screen applications for student internships and select
14 from these applications the recipients of student
15 internships;
- 16 (5.2) To determine the appropriateness of proposals for projects
17 for student interns submitted by the offices and
18 departments enumerated in subdivision (5.3) of this
19 subsection;
- 20 (5.3) To determine the number of student interns to be allocated
21 to each of the following offices or departments:
- 22 a. Office of the Governor
- 23 b. Department of Administration
- 24 c. Department of Correction
- 25 d. Department of Cultural Resources
- 26 e. Department of Revenue
- 27 f. Department of Transportation
- 28 g. Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources
- 29 h. Department of Commerce
- 30 i. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety
- 31 j. Department of Human Resources
- 32 k. Office of the Lieutenant Governor
- 33 l. Office of the Secretary of State
- 34 m. Office of the State Auditor
- 35 n. Office of the State Treasurer
- 36 o. Department of Public Instruction
- 37 p. Department of Agriculture
- 38 q. Department of Labor
- 39 r. Department of Insurance
- 40 s. Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- 41 t. Justices of the Supreme Court and Judges of the Court of
42 Appeals
- 43 u. Department of Community Colleges

1 v. Office of State Personnel

2 w. Office of the Senate President Pro Tempore;

3 (5.4) To advise the youth councils of North Carolina;

4 (5.5) To encourage State and local councils to take active part
5 in governmental and civic affairs, promote and participate
6 in leadership and citizenship programs, and cooperate
7 with other youth-oriented groups;

8 (5.6) To establish procedures for the election of youth
9 representatives by the Council;

10 (5.7) To monitor legislation;

11 (5.8) To receive on behalf of the Department of Administration
12 and to recommend expenditure of gifts and grants from
13 public and private donors;

14 (5.9) To award mini-grant recipients and North Carolina Fund for Children
15 and Families grants recipients;

16 (6) ~~To meet at least annually with the Governor and present a written an~~
17 annual report to the Governor concerning the health and well-being of
18 North Carolina's children and the effectiveness of current programs and
19 the need for new programs for children and youth; children and youth;

20 (7) To provide information to the general public and State, local and private
21 agencies serving children and youth and their families concerning the
22 activities and findings of the Council; and

23 (8) To perform other advisory functions assigned by the Secretary of
24 Administration or a legislative committee; committee; and

25 (9) To adopt bylaws, guidelines, and policies necessary to carry out its
26 powers and duties.

27 (c) The State Youth Programs Committee shall include the following groups: the
28 State Youth Council and Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD)."

29 Section 3. G.S. 143B-415 reads as rewritten:

30 "**§ 143B-415. Governor's Advocacy Council on Children and Youth – members;**
31 **selection; quorum; compensation.**

32 (a) ~~The Governor's Advocacy Council on Children and Youth shall consist of 18~~
33 ~~members. The composition of the Council shall be as follows: two members appointed by~~
34 ~~the President Pro Tempore of the Senate from the membership of the Senate; two~~
35 ~~members selected by the Speaker of the House of Representatives from the membership~~
36 ~~of the House of Representatives; 14 members appointed by the Governor. 30 members as~~
37 follows:

38 (1) One Senator appointed by the General Assembly upon the
39 recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

40 (2) One representative of a child or youth organization appointed by the
41 General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro
42 Tempore of the Senate.

- 1 (3) One Representative appointed by the General Assembly upon the
2 recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- 3 (4) One representative of a child or youth organization appointed by the
4 General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the
5 House of Representatives.
- 6 (5) Twenty-six members appointed by the Governor as follows:
- 7 a. An attorney.
- 8 b. Four former State government interns.
- 9 c. Two public college or university representatives.
- 10 d. Two private college or university representatives.
- 11 e. Two male and two female youths, each of whom is a member of
12 a local youth council and who is 18 years of age or under at the
13 time of appointment.
- 14 f. One male and one female youth, each of whom is not a member
15 of a local youth council and who is 28 years of age or under at
16 the time of appointment.
- 17 g. Eleven representatives of children and youth organizations.
- 18 The members appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the
19 President Pro Tempore of the Senate and upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the
20 House of Representatives shall serve for two-year terms to commence as of July 1. The
21 members appointed by the Governor shall serve for four-year terms to commence as of
22 July 1. Of the members appointed by the Governor, at least one shall come from each
23 congressional district in accordance with G.S. 147-12(3)(b).
- 24 ~~Of the members appointed by the Governor, at least one shall come from each~~
25 ~~congressional district in accordance with G.S. 147-12(3)b.~~
- 26 ~~In selecting the 14 members of the Council, the Governor shall select 10 public-~~
27 ~~spirited adult citizens who have an interest in and knowledge of children and youth,~~
28 ~~persons who work with children or representatives of organizations concerned with~~
29 ~~problems of children and youth. The remaining four members to be appointed by the~~
30 ~~Governor shall consist of two youths of each sex who are 18 years of age or under at the~~
31 ~~time of their appointments.~~
- 32 (a1) The membership of the committees established pursuant to G.S. 143B-414(a)
33 is as follows:
- 34 (1) The Advocacy Committee shall consist of the following eight persons
35 from the Governor's Advocacy Council on Children and Youth and
36 designated by the chair of the Council:
- 37 a. Five representatives of children and youth organizations;
- 38 b. An attorney;
- 39 c. A Senator;
- 40 d. A Representative; and
- 41 e. Two youths who are not members of local youth councils.

1 (2) The State Youth Programs Committee shall consist of the following
2 nine persons from the Governor's Advocacy Council on Children and
3 Youth and designated by the chair of the Council:

4 a. Four local youth council members; and

5 b. Six representatives of children and youth organizations.

6 (3) The Internship Program Committee shall consist of the following 10
7 persons from the Governor's Advocacy Council on Children and Youth
8 and designated by the chair of the Council:

9 a. The four former State government interns;

10 b. The two public college or university representatives;

11 c. The two private college or university representatives; and

12 d. Two representatives of children and youth organizations.

13 (b) ~~The initial members of the Council shall be the members of the former~~
14 ~~Governor's Advocacy Council on Children and Youth of the Department of Human~~
15 ~~Resources whose terms shall expire on the date they would have, had said Council of the~~
16 ~~Department of Human Resources not been transferred. At the end of the respective terms~~
17 ~~of office of the initial members of the Council, the appointment of all members shall be~~
18 ~~as provided in this section and for terms of four years and until their successors are~~
19 ~~appointed and qualify. Any appointment to fill a vacancy on the Council created by the~~
20 ~~resignation, death, dismissal, or disability of a member shall be for the balance of the~~
21 ~~unexpired term. The members of the Council after July 1, 1997, shall be those members~~
22 ~~whose terms had not expired on or before that date and shall be those persons appointed~~
23 ~~subsequently by the respective appointing authorities pursuant to this section.~~

24 Vacancies in appointments made by the General Assembly shall be filled in accordance
25 with G.S. 120-122. Other vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original
26 appointment.

27 (c) ~~The Governor~~ Each appointing officer may remove any member of the Council
28 appointed by the Governor.

29 The Governor shall designate from the membership of the Council a ~~chairman~~ chair
30 and a ~~vice-chairman~~ vice-chair to serve at ~~his~~ the Governor's pleasure.

31 ~~The Council shall meet at least quarterly and upon the call of the chairman or upon~~
32 ~~written request of at least nine members.~~

33 The members of the Council shall receive per diem and necessary travel and
34 subsistence expenses in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 138-5.

35 A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A
36 majority of a committee's membership shall constitute a quorum for transaction of
37 committee business.

38 (c1) The committees shall present reports to the Council for approval.

39 (d) All clerical and other services required by the Council shall be supplied by the
40 ~~Secretary~~ Youth Advocacy and Involvement Office in the Department of Administration."

41 Section 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.