

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS75001-LB-28 (1/17)

Short Title: Alternate Budget Origination.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Rand.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CODIFY THE PRACTICE OF ALTERNATING BETWEEN THE
HOUSES EACH BIENNIUM ORIGINATION OF THE CURRENT
OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 143-13 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 143-13. Printing copies of budget report and bills and rules for the introduction
and origination of the same.**

The Director shall cause to be printed one thousand copies each of the budget report, the Current Operations Appropriations Bill, Capital Improvement Appropriations Bill, and the Budget Revenue Bill. The Governor shall present copies thereof to the General Assembly, together with the biennial message, except incoming Governors may, at the first session of the General Assembly in their respective terms, submit the same after the biennial message has been presented to the General Assembly. The Current Operations Appropriations Bill and the Capital Improvement Appropriations Bill shall be introduced by the chairman of the committee on appropriations in each house of the General Assembly, and the Budget Revenue Bill shall be introduced by the chairmen of the finance committees in each branch of the General Assembly: Provided, that for the years in which the Governor is elected, other than when a Governor is elected for a second successive term the Director shall deliver the budget report and the Current Operations Appropriations Bill and the Capital Improvement Appropriations Bill and the Budget Revenue Bill to the Governor-elect, on or before the fifteenth day of December, and the said budget report, Appropriations, and Revenue Bills, shall be presented by the Governor to the General Assembly with such recommendations in the way of amendments, or other modifications, together with such criticism as he may determine. In the 2007-2009 biennium, the House of Representatives shall originate the Current Operations Appropriations Bill and a bill in the second year of the biennium to

1 make general revisions in that act. Origination of the bill shall alternate between the two
2 houses each biennium thereafter. The provisions herein contained as to the introduction
3 of the bills mentioned in this section shall be considered and treated as a rule of
4 procedure in the Senate and House of Representatives until otherwise expressly
5 provided for by a rule in either, or both, of said branches of the General Assembly."

6 **SECTION 2.** Effective July 1, 2007, G.S. 143C-5-2 reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 143C-5-2. Order of appropriations bills.**

8 (a) Each house of the General Assembly shall first pass its version of the Current
9 Operations Appropriations Act on third reading and order it sent to the other chamber
10 before placing any other appropriations bill on the calendar for second reading. This
11 section does not apply to the following bills:

12 (1) An appropriations bill to respond to a disaster as defined by
13 G.S. 166A-4(1).

14 (2) An appropriations bill making adjustments to the current year budget.

15 (3) An appropriations bill authorizing continued operations at current
16 funding levels."

17 (b) In the 2007-2009 biennium, the House of Representatives shall originate the
18 Current Operations Appropriations Bill and a bill in the second year of the biennium to
19 make general revisions in that act. Origination of the bill shall alternate between the two
20 houses each biennium thereafter."

21 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.