## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2015

## HOUSE BILL 140 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT DESIGNATING THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF APRIL, 2015, AND THE SECOND MONDAY IN APRIL OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER AS LINEMAN APPRECIATION DAY.

Whereas, the profession of linemen is steeped in personal, family, and professional tradition; and

Whereas, linemen are often the first responders during storms and other catastrophic events, working to make the scene safe for other public safety heroes; and

Whereas, linemen work with thousands of volts of electricity high atop power lines 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to keep electricity flowing; and

Whereas, linemen must often work under dangerous conditions far from their families to construct and maintain the energy infrastructure of the United States; and

Whereas, linemen put their lives on the line every day with little recognition from the community regarding the danger of their work; and

Whereas, it is appropriate to honor the brave men and women who work to keep the power on and protect public safety by designating April 18, 2015, and the second Monday in April of each year thereafter as Lineman Appreciation Day; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The eighteenth day of April, 2015, is designated as Lineman Appreciation Day in North Carolina.

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 103 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

## "§ 103-14. Lineman Appreciation Day.

The second Monday in April of each year is designated as Lineman Appreciation Day in North Carolina."

**SECTION 3.** Section 2 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2015. The remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.

- s/ Daniel J. Forest President of the Senate
- s/ Tim Moore Speaker of the House of Representatives

Pat McCrory Governor

