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Short Title: GPAC/UNC Study Extension Economic Development.

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Sponsors:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT A RECOMMENDATION OF THE GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AUDIT COMMITTEE TO DIRECT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ROLE OF EXTENSION ACTIVITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 143B-434 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143B-434. **Economic Development Board – creation, duties, membership.**

(a) Creation and Duties. – There is created within the Department of Commerce an Economic Development Board. ~~The Board shall advise the Secretary of Commerce on:~~ The Board shall have the following duties:

(1) To provide economic and community development planning for the State.

(2) To recommend economic development policy to the Secretary of Commerce, the General Assembly, and the Governor. The recommendations may cover the following issues as well as any other economic development policy issues:

a. Use of tax abatements and other incentives to motivate economic development.

b. Definition of which specific activities and programs should be considered economic development activities and programs for the purpose of receiving State appropriations.

- 1                   c.     The role of institutions of higher education in economic  
2                   development.
- 3                   d.     The use of State funds to leverage private nonprofit economic  
4                   development initiatives.
- 5                   e.     The linkage of workforce preparedness activities and initiatives,  
6                   and economic development planning.
- 7                   f.     The linkage of extension activities operated through the  
8                   University system with the State's economic development  
9                   initiatives.
- 10               (3)    To recommend annually to the Governor biennial and annual  
11               appropriations for economic development programs.
- 12               (4)    To develop and update annually a comprehensive strategic economic  
13               development plan, as provided in G.S. 143B-434.1.
- 14               ~~(1)    The formulation of a program for the economic development of the~~  
15               ~~State of North Carolina; and~~
- 16               ~~(2)    The formulation of a budget and the hiring of the head of each division~~  
17               ~~of the Department of Commerce concerned with the expansion of the~~  
18               ~~travel and tourism industry.~~
- 19    ~~The Secretary shall prepare the budget of the Department and shall hire the heads of the~~  
20    ~~above mentioned divisions who shall serve at his pleasure. The Board shall meet at least~~  
21    ~~quarterly at the call of its ~~chairman~~ chair or the Secretary. Each quarter the Secretary~~  
22    ~~shall report to the Board on the program and progress of this State's economic~~  
23    ~~development."~~
- 24               Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1993.