

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1967 SESSION

CHAPTER 992  
SENATE BILL 77

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE NORTH CAROLINA GOOD NEIGHBOR COUNCIL AND TO  
2 PRESCRIBE ITS ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS.

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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

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6 **Section 1.** North Carolina Good Neighbor Council Created; Membership;  
7 Chairman and Vice-Chairman. There is hereby created the North Carolina Good Neighbor  
8 Council, which shall be composed of a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, and 18 members, all  
9 appointed by the Governor. The Council, for administrative and budget purposes, shall be a  
10 part of the Department of Administration. The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and all members shall  
11 serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

12 Any public officer appointed to the Council shall serve ex officio, in addition to his regular  
13 duties imposed by law.

14 **Sec. 2.** Duties of Council. It shall be the duty of the Council:

- 15 (1) to study problems in the area of human relations;
- 16 (2) to promote equality of opportunity for all citizens;
- 17 (3) to promote understanding, respect, and good will among all citizens;
- 18 (4) to provide channels of communication among the races;
- 19 (5) to encourage the employment of qualified people without regard to race;
- 20 (6) to encourage youth to become better trained and qualified for employment;
- 21 (7) to receive and expend gifts and grants from public and private donors;
- 22 (8) to enlist the cooperation and assistance of all State and local governmental  
23 officials in the attainment of the objectives of the Council;
- 24 (9) to assist local Good Neighbor Councils and bi-racial, human relations  
25 committees in promoting activities related to the functions of the Council  
26 enumerated above; and
- 27 (10) to make a biennial report of its activities to the Governor and the General  
28 Assembly.

29 **Sec. 3.** Duties of Chairman. The Chairman shall be the executive officer of the  
30 Council and shall execute all orders, rules and regulations adopted by the Council. If the  
31 Chairman temporarily is unable to discharge the duties of his office on account of illness,  
32 absence from the State, or other cause, the Vice-Chairman shall exercise all authority of the  
33 Chairman except as restricted by resolution adopted by the Council. The Chairman, with the  
34 approval of the Governor, shall appoint, promote, demote, discharge, and prescribe the duties  
35 of all employees of the Council.

36 **Sec. 4.** Headquarters; Meetings; Other Officers. (a) The headquarters and main  
37 offices of the Council shall be located in Raleigh.

38 (b) The Council shall meet once each 90 days at such time and place as the  
39 Council or Chairman may prescribe. The Council may also hold special meetings at any time or  
40 place within the State on the call of the Chairman or the Governor. One half of the membership  
41 of the Council shall constitute a quorum for conduct of official business of the Council. The  
42 Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be counted as member for the purpose of determining a  
43 quorum.

1 (c) The Council shall select a Recording Secretary from among its membership.  
2 The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping the minutes of all meetings, and the minutes  
3 shall at all times be open to public inspection.

4 (d) The Chairman and Vice-Chairman may appoint an Executive Committee  
5 and other necessary officers, subject to the approval of the Governor.

6 **Sec. 5.** Salaries; Allowances. (a) The salary of the Chairman shall be fixed by the  
7 Governor, subject to the approval of the Advisory Budget Commission. The salaries of all other  
8 personnel of the Council shall be fixed pursuant to the State Personnel Act.

9 (b) The Vice-Chairman and members shall receive while engaged in the  
10 discharge of their duties such per diem, subsistence, and travel allowances as are provided by  
11 G.S. 138-5 for members of State Boards and Commissions generally.

12 **Sec. 6.** Advisory Committee. The Governor may appoint an Advisory Committee to  
13 the Council. The members of the Advisory Committee shall serve at the pleasure of the  
14 Governor and shall receive no compensation.

15 **Sec. 7.** Transfer of Funds and Property. All unexpended appropriations made to and  
16 other assets of the organization formed by executive order of the Governor and known as the  
17 North Carolina Good Neighbor Council are hereby transferred to the Department of  
18 Administration for the use of the North Carolina Good Neighbor Council as herein created. All  
19 records, files, publications, and other papers belonging to the North Carolina Good Neighbor  
20 Council shall become the records, files, publications, and papers of the North Carolina Good  
21 Neighbor Council as herein created.

22 **Sec. 8.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

23 **Sec. 9.** This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 1967.

24 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 29th day of June,  
25 1967.