

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 1032
SENATE BILL 775

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A JOBS FOR VETERANS COMMITTEE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, DIVISION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, TO ASSUME THE DUTIES OF THE GOVERNOR'S JOBS FOR VETERANS COMMITTEE AND TO ASSIST VETERANS IN OBTAINING EMPLOYMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 9 of Chapter 143B, as the same appears in the 1975 Cumulative Supplement to the General Statutes of North Carolina, is hereby amended by adding a new Part at the end thereof to read:

"Jobs for Veterans Committee.

§ 143B-401. Governor's Jobs for Veterans Committee. — (a) There is hereby created and established in the North Carolina Department of Administration, Division of Veterans Affairs, a committee to be known as the Governor's Jobs for Veterans Committee, with such members as the Governor shall appoint.

Members of the committee shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Secretary of Administration, with the concurrence of the Governor, shall appoint a chairman to administer this committee who shall be subject to the direction and supervision of the secretary. The chairman shall serve at the pleasure of the secretary. The chairman shall devote full time to his duties of office.

(b) Subject to the general supervision of the secretary, the duties of the chairman shall include but not be limited to the following:

- (1) serving as a liaison between the Office of the Governor and all State agencies to insure that veterans receive the employment preference to which they are legally entitled and that such State agencies list available jobs with appropriate public employment services;
- (2) evaluating existing programs designed to benefit veterans and submitting reports and recommendations to the Governor and secretary;
- (3) developing and furthering favorable employer attitudes toward the employment of veterans by appropriate promulgation of information concerning veterans and the functions of the committee;
- (4) serving as a liaison between the committee and communities throughout the State to the end that civic committees and volunteer groups are formed and utilized to promote the objectives of the committee;
- (5) assisting employers in properly designing affirmative action plans as they relate to handicapped and Vietnam-era veterans;
- (6) serving as a liaison between veterans and State agencies on questions regarding the employment practices of such State agencies.

§ 143B-402. Authority to receive grants-in-aid. — The committee is hereby authorized to receive grants-in-aid from the federal government and charitable organizations for carrying out its duties."

Sec. 2. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Administration, for the chairman and staff of the Governor's Jobs for Veterans Committee, from the General Fund, in

addition to all other appropriations which may be made by the 1977 General Assembly therefrom, the sum of twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000) for each year of the 1977-1979 biennium. The secretary shall submit to the General Assembly a budget and request for appropriations to adequately administer the Governor's Jobs for Veterans Committee in subsequent fiscal years.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 1st day of July, 1977.