

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 685
SENATE BILL 654

AN ACT TO RECONSTITUTE THE AREA INMATE LABOR COMMISSIONS AND THE
STATE INMATE LABOR COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 148-26.2(a) is hereby rewritten to read as follows:

"(a) The area inmate labor commissions are hereby reconstituted. Each reconstituted area commission shall have six members who shall be residents of the area, to be appointed by the Governor as follows: one representative of the League of Municipalities, one representative of the community colleges and technical institutes in the area, one representative of the Department of Correction designated by the Secretary of Correction and serving as an ex officio member, and three interested and knowledgeable citizens. The members of the commission shall serve for terms commencing upon their appointment and expiring July 1, 1981. Thereafter their successors shall be appointed for terms of four years or until their successors are appointed and qualify. Any appointment to fill a vacancy on an area commission shall be for the remainder of the term of the member causing the vacancy. The Governor shall have the authority to remove any member of an area commission from office for misfeasance, malfeasance or nonfeasance."

Sec. 2. G.S. 148-26.3(a) is hereby rewritten to read as follows:

"(a) The State Inmate Labor Commission is hereby reconstituted and shall consist of 10 members as follows: the chairmen of the six area inmate labor commissions as provided in G.S. 148-26.2; one member of the North Carolina House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House for a term of two years; one member of the North Carolina Senate to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor for a term of two years; the Secretary of Correction or his designee to serve as an ex officio member; and a general chairman to be appointed by the Governor for a term commencing upon his appointment and expiring July 1, 1981. Thereafter the general chairman shall be appointed for a term of four years. In the event of the death, resignation or disqualification of the general chairman, the Governor shall appoint a new general chairman to fill the unexpired term. The Governor shall have the authority to remove any member of the commission for misfeasance, malfeasance or nonfeasance."

Sec. 3. The State Inmate Labor Commission shall at their regularly scheduled meetings study the inmate labor programs of other states, in particular the states of Florida and Texas, and make appropriate recommendations to the 1979 General Assembly.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 22nd day of June, 1977.