

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 635
HOUSE BILL 821

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
RESOURCES TO OPERATE THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AT
MORGANTON AND THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
AT WILSON.

Whereas, Chapter 1000, 1971 Session Laws, rewrote Article 41 of Chapter 115 of the General Statutes and provided in G.S. 115-337 that the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morganton, the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf at Wilson and the Central North Carolina School for the Deaf shall be under the control and management of a Board of Directors; and

Whereas, Chapter 476, 1973 Session Laws, known as the Executive Organization Act of 1973, reorganized the Department of Human Resources and reconstituted the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Schools for the Deaf in Sections 157 through 160 thereof, later codified as G.S. 143B-173 through 143B-176; and

Whereas, Chapter 476 repealed G.S. 115-337 and made no reference to the further maintenance and operation of the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morganton and the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf at Wilson; and

Whereas, an amendment of the present Article 41 of Chapter 115 is appropriate to clarify the authority of the Department of Human Resources to maintain and operate all three of the existing schools for the deaf; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The title of Article 41 of Chapter 115 is rewritten to read as follows: "North Carolina Schools for the Deaf".

Sec. 2. The first paragraph of G.S. 115C-123, as it appears in Chapter 423 of the 1981 Session Laws, is rewritten to read:

"§ **115C-123. Establishment; operations.** — There are established, and there shall be maintained, the following schools for the deaf: the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf at Wilson (K-12); the Central North Carolina School for the Deaf at Greensboro (K-8), and the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morganton (K-12). The Department of Human Resources shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the schools."

Sec. 3. G.S. 66-58(b) (7) is amended to read as follows: "The North Carolina Schools for the Deaf."

Sec. 4. G.S. 122-16 is amended in line 3 by substituting the words "the superintendents" for "superintendent" and by substituting the word "Schools" for "School".

Sec. 5. G.S. 122-33 is amended in line 2 by substituting the word "superintendents" for "superintendent" and in line 3 substituting the word "Schools" for "School".

Sec. 6. The authority of the Department of Human Resources to maintain and operate and to make expenditures for the North Carolina School for the Deaf at Morganton and the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf at Wilson from the effective date of Chapter 476, 1973 Session Laws, to the effective date of this act is hereby granted, confirmed and validated.

Sec. 7. This act is effective July 1, 1981.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 22nd day of June, 1981.