GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2015

SESSION LAW 2015-252 HOUSE BILL 488

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. S.L. 2013-263 is repealed.

SECTION 2. G.S. 115D-12(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Each community college established or operated pursuant to this Chapter shall be governed by a board of trustees consisting of 13 members, or of additional members if selected according to the special procedure prescribed by the third paragraph of this subsection, <u>16 members</u> who shall be selected by the following agencies. No member of the General Assembly may be appointed to a local board of trustees for a community college.

Group One – four trustees, elected by the board of education of the public school administrative unit located in the administrative area of the institution. If there are two or more public school administrative units, whether city or county units, or both, located within the administrative area, the trustees shall be elected jointly by all of the boards of education of those units, each board having one vote in the election of each trustee, except as provided in G.S. 115D-59. jointly by the local boards of education with the authority to nominate trustees as follows:

- (1) The Chatham County Board of Education shall nominate one person to serve as trustee with a term commencing July 1, 2016, and quadrennially thereafter.
- (2) The Harnett County Board of Education shall nominate one person to serve as trustee with a term commencing July 1, 2017, and quadrennially thereafter
- (3) The Lee County Board of Education shall nominate two persons to serve as trustees as follows:
 - <u>a.</u> The appointment of one trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2015, and quadrennially thereafter.
 - b. The appointment of one trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2018, and quadrennially thereafter.
- (4) Approval of a nominee by at least one of the other two boards of education shall constitute selection of the trustee.
- (5) If a nominee is not approved by at least one other board of education, the nominating board of education may nominate other persons until at least one other board of education approves the board of education's nominee.

No board of education shall elect a member of the board of education or any person employed by the board of education to serve as a trustee, however, any such person currently serving on a board of trustees shall be permitted to fulfill the unexpired portion of the trustee's current term.

Group Two – <u>four eight</u> trustees, elected by the board of commissioners of the county in which the institution is located. Provided, however, if the administrative area of the institution is composed of two or more counties, the trustees shall be elected jointly by the boards of commissioners of all those counties, each board having one vote in the election of each trustee. Provided, also, the county commissioners of the county in which the community college has established a satellite campus may elect an additional two members if the board of trustees of the community college agrees. as follows:

(1) Four members elected by the Lee County Commissioners as follows:



- <u>a.</u> The appointment of one trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2015, and quadrennially thereafter.
- b. The appointment of one trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2016, and quadrennially thereafter.
- c. The appointment of one trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2017, and quadrennially thereafter.
- <u>d.</u> The appointment of one trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2018, and quadrennially thereafter.
- (2) Two members elected by the Chatham County Commissioners for terms commencing July 1, 2017, and quadrennially thereafter.
- Two members elected by the Harnett County Commissioners as follows:
 - a. The appointment of one trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2016, and quadrennially thereafter.
 - b. The appointment of one trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2017, and quadrennially thereafter.

No more than one trustee from Group Two may be a member of a board of county commissioners. commissioners of a given county. Should the boards of commissioners involved be unable to agree on one or more trustees the senior resident superior court judge in the superior court district or set of districts as defined in G.S. 7A-41.1 where the institution is located shall fill the position or positions by appointment.

Group Three – four trustees, appointed by the Governor.

Group Four – the president of the student government or the chairman of the executive board of the student body of each community college established pursuant to this Chapter shall be an ex officio nonvoting member of the board of trustees of each said institution."

SECTION 3. This act applies only to Central Carolina Community College.

SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to appointments to terms beginning on or after July 1, 2015.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of September, 2015.

- s/ Daniel J. Forest President of the Senate
- s/ Paul Stam Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives