

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2015**

**SESSION LAW 2015-295
SENATE BILL 97**

AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON
INDIAN EDUCATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-210.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 115C-210.1. Membership – How appointed.

- (a) The Council shall consist of 15 members, as follows:
- (1) Two legislative members appointed as follows:
 - a. ~~(one senator~~One member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the ~~Senate and one representative~~Senate.
 - b. ~~One member~~ appointed by the Speaker of the ~~House~~House of Representatives.
 - (2) ~~Two American Indian members from higher education to be appointed by the Board of Governors of the University system; education, who are preferably faculty members. The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina and the State Board of Community Colleges shall each appoint a member.~~
 - (3) ~~One American Indian member from the North Carolina Commission on Indian Affairs to be appointed by that Commission;~~Commission.
 - (4) ~~Eight~~Five American Indian parents of students enrolled in K-12 public schools and schools, including charter schools.
 - (4a) ~~two~~Five American Indian educators from public elementary/secondary schools K-12 public school educators, one member who shall be a Title VII director or coordinator, to be appointed by the State Board of Education from a list of recommendations submitted by the North Carolina Commission on Indian Affairs;Affairs. For the purposes of this subdivision, a K-12 educator may be a school administrator, classroom teacher, resource teacher, or school counselor. A member appointed pursuant to this subdivision must hold a current North Carolina professional educator license.
 - (5) ~~Indian members of the Council shall be broadly representative of North Carolina Indian tribes and organizations, specifically, the Eastern Band of Cherokee, Lumbee, Coharie, Waccamaw Siouan, Haliwa-Saponi, Meherrin, Person County Indians, Cumberland County Association for Indian People, the Guilford Native American Association, the Metrolina Native American Association, and any other Indian tribe gaining State recognition in the future.~~

(b) American Indian members of the Council shall be broadly representative of North Carolina Indian tribes and organizations, North Carolina State-recognized tribes and organizations (Coharie Tribe, Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation, Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, Meherrin Indian Tribe, Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation, Sappony, Waccamaw Siouan Tribe, Cumberland County Association for Indian People, Guilford Native American Association, Metrolina Native American Association, Triangle Native American Society, and any other Indian tribe gaining State recognition in the future), and parents and educators from tribes recognized by the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs."



SECTION 2. Notwithstanding G.S. 115C-210.1, as amended by this act, the current members serving on the State Advisory Council on Indian Education as of the effective date of this act shall serve the remainder of their terms. Thereafter, as terms expire, or when a vacancy occurs prior to the expiration of a term, members on the Council shall be appointed in accordance with G.S. 115C-210.1, as amended by this act.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 23rd day of September, 2015.

s/ Daniel J. Forest
President of the Senate

s/ Tim Moore
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Pat McCrory
Governor

Approved 4:11 p.m. this 29th day of October, 2015