AN ACT TO LIMIT MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF GOVERNORS TO THREE TERMS, AND BY ESTABLISHING A PROCESS FOR SELECTION OF A PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 116-6(e) reads as rewritten:

"(e) No person may be elected to:

(1) More than three full four-year terms in succession. Election for a partial term to fill a vacancy as provided in G.S. 116-7 shall not count toward the three-term limitation.

(2) A four-year term if preceded immediately by election to two full eight-year terms in succession; or

(3) A four-year term if preceded immediately by election to an eight-year term and a four-year term in succession.

Resignation from a term of office does not constitute a break in service for the purpose of this subsection. Service prior to the beginning of those terms in 1989 shall be included in the limitations."

SECTION 1.5. G.S. 116-14 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(a1) The Board shall use the following process whenever the Board conducts a search for a President of The University of North Carolina:

(1) At least three final candidates shall be submitted to the full Board from which the full Board shall make its selection for the President.

(2) The Board shall conduct a vote on the selection of the President and the candidate shall receive a majority of votes of the entire Board in order to be elected President of The University of North Carolina.

(a2) The Board may appoint an interim President. Subsection (a1) of this section shall not apply to the appointment of an interim President under this subsection. The Interim President shall serve until the Board appoints a President of The University of North Carolina using the procedures specified in subsection (a1) of this section."
SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law. Members of the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina who would otherwise be affected by this act shall nevertheless complete the full term to which they were elected.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 30th day of September, 2015.

s/ Daniel J. Forest  
President of the Senate

s/ Tim Moore  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

This bill having been presented to the Governor for signature on the 1st day of October, 2015 and the Governor having failed to approve it within the time prescribed by law, the same is hereby declared to have become a law. This 31st day of October, 2015.

s/ Karen Jenkins  
Enrolling Clerk