

## Article 36.

### Department of Administration.

#### Part 1. General Provisions.

##### **§ 143-334. Short title.**

This Article may be cited as the Department of Administration Act. (1957, c. 269, s. 1; 2000-140, s. 76(h).)

##### **§ 143-335. Department of Administration created.**

There is hereby created the Department of Administration. (1957, c. 269, s. 1.)

##### **§ 143-336. Definitions.**

As used in this Article:

"Agency" includes every agency, institution, board, commission, bureau, council, department, division, officer, and employee of the State, but does not include counties, municipal corporations, political subdivisions, county and city boards of education, and other local public bodies.

"Community college buildings" means all buildings, utilities, and other property developments located at a community college, which is defined in G.S. 115D-2(2).

"Department" means the Department of Administration, unless the context otherwise requires.

"Public buildings" means all buildings owned or maintained by the State in the City of Raleigh, but does not mean any building which a State agency other than the Department of Administration is required by law to care for and maintain.

"Public buildings and grounds" means all buildings and grounds owned or maintained by the State in the City of Raleigh, but does not mean any building or grounds which a State agency other than the Department of Administration is required by law to care for and maintain.

"Public grounds" means all grounds owned or maintained by the State in the City of Raleigh, but does not mean any grounds which a State agency other than the Department of Administration is required by law to care for and maintain.

"Secretary" means the Secretary of Administration, unless the context otherwise requires.

"State buildings" mean all State buildings, utilities, and other property developments except the State Legislative Building, railroads, highway structures, bridge structures, and any buildings, utilities, or property owned or leased by the North Carolina Global TransPark Authority.

But under no circumstances shall this Article or any part thereof apply to the judicial or to the legislative branches of the State. (1957, c. 215, s. 2; c. 269, s. 1; 1963, c. 1, s. 6; 1971, c. 1097, s. 1; 1975, c. 879, s. 46; 1989, c. 58, s. 1; 1991, c. 749, s. 5; 1993 (Reg. Sess., 1994), c. 777, s. 4(h); 2001, c. 442, ss. 5, 8.)

##### **§§ 143-337 through 143-339. Repealed by Session Laws 1975, c. 879, s. 46.**

##### **§ 143-340. Powers and duties of Secretary.**

The Secretary of Administration has the following powers and duties:

- (1) Repealed by Session Laws 2021-180, s. 20.13(b), effective July 1, 2021.
- (2) through (9) Repealed by Session Laws 1975, c. 879, s. 46.
- (10) To require reports from any State agency at any time upon any matters within the scope of the responsibilities of the Secretary or the Department.
- (11) Repealed by Session Laws 1975, c. 879, s. 46.

- (12) To enter the premises of any State agency; to inspect its property; and to examine its books, papers, documents, and all other agency records and copy any of them; and any State agency shall permit such entry, examination, and copying, and upon demand shall produce without unnecessary delay all books, papers, documents, and other records in its office and furnish information respecting its records and other matters pertaining to that agency and related to the responsibilities of the Department.
- (13) Repealed by Session Laws 1975, c. 879, s. 46.
- (14) Repealed by Session Laws 1989, c. 239, s. 1.
- (15), (16) Repealed by Session Laws 1975, c. 879, s. 46.
- (17) To supervise the work of janitors appointed by the General Assembly to perform services in connection with the sessions of the General Assembly.
- (18) To adopt reasonable rules and regulations with respect to the parking of automobiles on all public grounds, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council of State, and to enforce those rules and regulations. Any person who violates a rule or regulation concerning parking on public grounds is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Upon the allocation of parking spaces to any agency pursuant to such rules and regulations, the agency shall adopt written guidelines governing the individual assignment of such parking spaces by the agency. Such guidelines shall give first priority treatment to the physically handicapped and to carpoolers and vanpoolers, however, first priority shall be given to those on call for duty at a time other than normal working hours. A copy of said guidelines shall be made available for inspection by any person upon request.
- (18a) To allocate to the General Assembly, upon 30 days' written notice, the number of parking spaces requested by the Legislative Services Commission Officer in Lot 7 of the State Government Parking Complex. The allocation of parking spaces under this subdivision is not subject to the approval of the Governor and the Council of State.
- (19) Any motor vehicle parked in a State-owned parking lot, when such lot is clearly designated as such by a sign no smaller than 24 inches by 24 inches prominently displayed at the entrance thereto, in violation of the "Rules and Regulations Governing State-Owned Parking Lots" dated September, 1968 or as amended, may be removed from such lot to a place of storage and the registered owner of that vehicle shall become liable for removal and storage charges. Any person who removes a vehicle pursuant to this section shall not be held liable for damages for the removal of the vehicle to the owner, lienholder or other person legally entitled to the possession of the vehicle removed; however, any person who intentionally or negligently damages a vehicle in the removal of such vehicle, or intentionally or negligently inflicts injury upon any person in the removal of such vehicle, may be held liable for damages. Any motor vehicle parked without authorization on State-owned public grounds under the control of the Department of Administration other than a designated parking area may be removed from that property to a storage area and the registered owner of the vehicle shall be liable for removal and storage fees.
- (20) To use at all times such means as, in his opinion, may be effective in protecting all public buildings and grounds from fire.

- (21), (22) Repealed by Session Laws 2009-451, s. 17.3(b), effective July 1, 2009.
- (23) Repealed by Session Laws 1975, c. 879, s. 46.
- (24) To perform such additional duties as the Governor may direct.
- (25) Repealed by Session Laws 1991, c. 542, s. 9.
- (26) To establish the State Employees Combined Campaign in the Department of Administration to allow State employees the opportunity to contribute to charitable nonpartisan organizations in an orderly and uniform process, with the authority to adopt all rules necessary to implement the campaign. (1957, c. 215, s. 2; c. 269, s. 1; 1969, c. 627; c. 1267, s. 4; 1971, c. 280; c. 1097, s. 2; 1975, c. 204; c. 879, s. 46; 1977, c. 119; c. 288, s. 2; 1979, c. 901, ss. 1, 2; c. 930; 1981, c. 696; 1981 (Reg. Sess., 1982), c. 1239, s. 4; 1983, c. 406; c. 420, s. 7; 1987, c. 274; 1989, c. 239, s. 1; c. 644, s. 5; 1991, c. 542, s. 9; 1993, c. 539, s. 1029; 1994, Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c); 1997-513, s. 3; 1999-250, s. 1; 2001-424, s. 7.2(a); 2009-451, s. 17.3(b); 2010-96, s. 41.3; 2017-199, s. 2; 2021-180, s. 20.13(b).)

#### **§ 143-341. Powers and duties of Department.**

The Department of Administration has the following powers and duties:

- (1) Repealed by Session Laws 1979, 2nd Session, c. 1137, s. 38.
- (2) Purchase and Contract:
  - a. To exercise those powers and perform those duties which were, at the time of the ratification of this Article, conferred by statute upon the former Division of Purchase and Contract.
- (3) Architecture and Engineering:
  - a. To examine and approve all plans and specifications for the construction or renovation of the following:
    - 1. All State buildings or buildings located on State lands, except those buildings over which a local building code inspection department has and exercises jurisdiction. For the purposes of this sub-sub-subdivision, buildings, facilities, or projects located on State lands that are (i) privately owned or privately leased and (ii) located within the North Carolina Global TransPark are exempt.
    - 2. All community college buildings meeting one of the following criteria:
      - I. A project requiring the estimated expenditure of public money for construction or repair work of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) or more prior to the awarding of a contract for such work; and to examine and approve all changes in those plans and specifications made after the contract for such work has been awarded.
      - II. Upon receipt of a written request from the State Board of Community Colleges, a project requiring the estimated expenditure of public money for construction or repair work of less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) prior to the awarding of a contract for such work; and to examine and approve all changes in those plans and

specifications made after the contract for such work has been awarded.

- a1. To organize and schedule, within three weeks of designer selection and before the design contract is let, a meeting of the stakeholders for each State capital improvement project to discuss plan review requirements and to define the terms of the memorandum of understanding developed by the State Building Commission pursuant to G.S. 143-135.26(2). The stakeholders shall include the funded agency, each State agency having plan review responsibilities for the project, and the selected designer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the meeting need not be scheduled if the funded agency so requests.
- b. To assist, as necessary, all agencies in the preparation of requests for appropriations for the construction or renovation of all State buildings.
- b1. To certify that a statement of needs pursuant to G.S. 143C-3-3, other than for a project of The University of North Carolina for which advance planning has not been completed, is feasible. For purposes of this sub-subdivision, "feasible" means that the proposed project is sufficiently defined in overall scope; building program; site development; detailed design, construction, and equipment budgets; and comprehensive project scheduling so as to reasonably ensure that it may be completed with the amount of funds requested. At the discretion of the General Assembly, advanced planning funds may be appropriated in support of this certification. This sub-subdivision shall not apply to requests for appropriations below the formal project limit, as set by the State Building Commission.
- c. To supervise the letting of all contracts for the design, construction or renovation of all State buildings and all community college buildings whose plans and specifications must be examined and approved under a.2. of this subdivision.
- d. To supervise and inspect all work done and materials used in the construction or renovation of all State buildings and all community college buildings whose plans and specifications must be examined and approved under a.2. of this subdivision; to act as the appropriate official inspector or inspection department for purposes of G.S. 143-143.2; and no such work may be accepted by the State or by any State agency until it has been approved by the Department.
- e. To require all State agencies to use existing plans and specifications for construction projects, where feasible. Prior to designing a project, State agencies shall consult with the Department of Administration on the availability of appropriate existing plans and specifications and the feasibility of using them for a project.
- f. To provide written allocation of the deduction allowed under section 179D of the Code, as defined in G.S. 105-228.90, for designing energy efficient commercial building property that is installed on or in property owned by the State. The allocation must be made in accordance with section 179D of the Code.

Except for sub-subdivisions b., b1., e., and f. of this subdivision, this subdivision does not apply to either (i) the design, construction, or renovation of projects by The University of North Carolina pursuant to G.S. 116-31.11 or (ii) the North Carolina Zoological Park Council and the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, with respect to projects at the North Carolina Zoological Park pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.214.

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Real Property Control:

- a. To prepare and keep current a complete and accurate inventory of all land owned or leased by the State or by any State agency. This inventory shall show the location, including the latitude and longitude of the center of the property, acreage, description, source of title and current use of all land (including swamplands or marshlands) owned by the State or by any State agency, and the agency to which each tract is currently allocated. Surveys may be made where necessary to obtain information for the purposes of this inventory. Accurate plats or maps of all such land may be prepared, or copies obtained where such maps or plats are available.
- b. To prepare and keep current a complete and accurate database of all buildings owned or leased (in whole or in part) by the State or by any State agency. This database shall serve as the State inventory and shall include all of the following information and floor plans of every such building shall be prepared or copies obtained where such floor plans are available, where needed for use in the allocation of space therein:
  1. The building's location, including the latitude and longitude of the center of the building.
  2. A description of the operations supported by the building.
  3. The agency or agencies that occupy the building.
  4. Ownership information for the building.
  5. The size of the building in terms of both gross and usable square feet.
  6. A description of the building.
  7. The building's condition assessment, including the estimated cost to make needed repairs and renovations as well as the date that the last condition assessment was completed.
  8. The building's annual operating costs.
  9. The building's annual maintenance costs.
  10. The number of usable workspaces contained in the building.
  11. The number of full-time equivalent positions assigned to the building by each agency occupant.
  12. The amount of the building that is utilized, measured in accordance with the procedures developed pursuant to G.S. 143-341.2(a)(3).
  13. Maintenance record, including replacement and maintenance schedules for all major mechanical systems.
  14. Parking and employee facilities.

15. Any other information deemed relevant by the Department of Administration.
- b1. The Department of Administration shall develop procedures that ensure that the data included in the inventories required by sub-subdivisions a. and b. of this subdivision is collected and displayed in a consistent manner across State agencies and land and building types.
- b2. The Department of Administration shall use the North Carolina Identity Management service, or a similar successor program when updating the inventories required by sub-subdivisions a. and b. of this subdivision.
- b3. Nothing in this sub-subdivision shall be construed to require the release or display of floor plans except upon request by a unit of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of State government, such as a department, an institution, a division, a commission, a board, a council, or The University of North Carolina.
- c. To obtain and deposit with the Secretary of State the originals of all deeds and other conveyances of real property to the State or to any State agency, copies of all leases wherein the State or any State agency is lessor or lessee, and certified copies of wills, judgments, and other instruments whereby the State or any State agency has acquired title to real property. Where an original of a deed, lease, or other instrument cannot be found, but has been recorded in the registry of office of the clerk of superior court of any county, a certified copy of such deed, conveyance, or instrument shall be obtained and deposited with the Secretary of State.
- d. To acquire, whether by purchase, exercise of the power of eminent domain, lease, or rental, all land, buildings, and space in buildings for all State agencies, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council of State in each instance. The Governor, acting with the approval of the Council of State, may adopt rules (i) exempting from any or all of the requirements of this paragraph such classes of lease, rental, easement, and right-of-way transactions as he deems advisable; and (ii) authorizing any State agency to enter into and/or approve the classes of transactions thus exempted from the requirements of this paragraph; and (iii) delegating to any other State agency the authority to approve the severance of buildings and standing timber from State lands; upon such approval of severance, the buildings and timber so affected shall be treated, for the purposes of this Chapter, as personal property. Any contract entered into or any proceeding instituted contrary to the provisions of this paragraph is voidable in the discretion of the Governor and Council of State.
- d1. To require all State departments, institutions, and agencies to use State-owned office space instead of negotiating or renegotiating leases for rental of office space. In investigating the availability of office space already owned by the State or by a State agency which might meet the requirements of the requesting agency, the Department of Administration shall review the utilization information maintained in

the real property database pursuant to this subdivision. Any lease entered into contrary to the provisions of this paragraph is voidable in the discretion of the Governor and the Council of State.

The Department of Administration shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division no later than May 1 of each year on leased office space.

- d2. To purchase or finance the purchase of buildings, utilities, structures, or other facilities or property developments, including streets and landscaping, the acquisition of land, equipment, machinery, and furnishings in connection therewith; additions, extensions, enlargements, renovations, and improvements to existing buildings, utilities, structures, or other facilities or property developments, including streets and landscaping; land or any interest in land; other infrastructure; furniture, fixtures, equipment, vehicles, machinery, and similar items; or any combination of the foregoing, through installment-purchase, lease-purchase, or other similar type installment financing agreements in the manner and to the extent provided in Article 9 of Chapter 142 of the General Statutes. Any contract entered into or any proceeding instituted contrary to the provisions of this paragraph is voidable in the discretion of the Council of State.
- e. To make all sales of real property (including marshlands or swamplands) owned by the State or by any State agency, with the approval of the Governor and Council of State in each instance. All conveyances in fee by the State shall be executed in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 146-74 through 146-78. Any conveyance of land made or contract to convey land entered into without the approval of the Governor and Council of State is voidable in the discretion of the Governor and Council of State. The proceeds of all sales of swamplands or marshlands shall be dealt with in the manner required by the Constitution and statutes.
- f. With the approval of the Governor and Council of State, to make all leases and rentals of land or buildings owned by the State or by any State agency, and to sublease land or buildings leased by the State or by any State agency from another owner, where such land or building owned or leased by the State or by any State agency is not needed for current use. The Governor, acting with the approval of the Council of State, may adopt rules (i) exempting from any or all of the requirements of this paragraph such classes of lease or rental transactions as he deems advisable; and (ii) authorizing any State agency to enter into and/or approve the classes of transactions thus exempted from the requirements of this paragraph; and (iii) delegating to any other State agency the authority to approve the severance of buildings and standing timber from State lands; upon such approval of severance, the buildings and timber so affected shall be treated, for the purposes of this Chapter, as personal property. Any lease or rental agreement entered into contrary to

the provisions of this paragraph is voidable in the discretion of the Governor and Council of State.

- g. To allocate and reallocate land, buildings, and space in buildings to the several State agencies, in accordance with rules adopted by the Governor with the approval of the Council of State; provided that if the proposed reallocation is of land with an appraised value of at least twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), the reallocation may only be made after consultation with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. The authority granted in this paragraph shall not apply to the State Legislative Building and grounds or to the Legislative Office Building and grounds.
- h. To require any State agency to make reports regarding the land and buildings owned by it or allocated to it at such times and in such form as the Department may deem necessary.
- i. To determine whether all deeds, judgments, and other instruments whereby title to real estate has been or may be acquired by the State or by any State agency have been properly recorded in the county wherein the real property is situated, and to make or cause to be made proper recordation of such instruments. The Department may have previously recorded instruments which conveyed title to or from the State or any State agency or officer reindexed, where necessary, to show the State of North Carolina or grantor or grantee, as the case may be, and the cost of such reindexing shall be paid from the State Land Fund.
- j. To call upon the Attorney General for advice and assistance in the performance of any of the foregoing duties.
- k. None of the provisions of this subdivision apply to highway or railroad rights-of-way or other interests or estates in land held for the same or similar purposes, or to the acquisition or disposition of such rights-of-way, interests, or estates in land.
- l. To manage and control the vacant and unappropriated lands, swamplands, lands acquired by the State by virtue of being sold for taxes, and submerged lands of the State, pursuant to Chapter 146 of the General Statutes.
- m. To contract for or approve all contracts for all appraisals and surveys of real property for all State agencies; provided, however, this provision shall not apply to appraisals and surveys obtained in connection with the acquisition of highway rights-of-way, borrow pits, or other interests or estates in land acquired for the same or similar purposes, or to the disposition thereof, by the Board of Transportation.
- n. To petition for the annexation of state-owned lands into any municipality.
- o. To provide that no fee, other than reimbursement of actual costs incurred and actual revenues lost by the State, shall be charged when State buildings are made available to a production company for a production. As used in this subdivision, the term "production company" has the meaning provided in G.S. 105-164.3.

(5) Administrative Analysis:

- a. To study the organization, methods, and procedures of all State agencies, to formulate plans for improvements in the organization, methods, and procedures of any agency studied, and to advise and assist any agency studied in effecting improvements in its organization, methods, and procedures.
- b. To report to the Governor its findings and recommendations concerning improvements in the organization, methods, and procedures of any State agency, when such improvements cannot be effected by the cooperative efforts of the Department and the agency concerned.
- c. To submit to the Governor for transmittal to the General Assembly recommended legislation where such legislation is necessary to effect improvements in the organization, methods, and procedures of any State agency.

(6) State and Regional Planning:

- a. To assist the Director of the Budget in reviewing the capital improvements needs and requests of all State agencies, and in preparing a coordinated biennial capital improvements budget and longer range capital improvements programs.
- b. In cooperation with State agencies and other public and private agencies, to collect, analyze, and keep up-to-date a comprehensive collection of economic and social data pertinent to State planning, which shall be available to State and local governmental agencies and private agencies.
- c. To coordinate and review all planning activity relative to federal government requirements for general statewide or regional comprehensive program planning.
- d. To make economic analyses, studies, and projections and to advise the Governor on courses of action desirable for the maintenance of a sound economy.
- e. To encourage and assist in the development of the planning process within State and local governmental agencies.
- f. To assist State agencies by providing them with basic information and technical assistance needed in preparing their short-range and long-range programs.
- g. To develop and maintain liaison and cooperative arrangements with federal, interstate, State, and private agencies and organizations in the interest of obtaining information and assistance with respect to State and regional planning.
- h. To develop and maintain a comprehensive plan for the development of the State, representing the coordinated efforts and contributions of all participating planning groups.
- i. In cooperation with the counties, the cities and towns, the federal government, multi-state commissions and private agencies and organizations, to develop a system of multi-county, regional planning districts to cover the entire State, and to assist in preparing for those

districts comprehensive development plans coordinated with the comprehensive development plan for the State.

- (7) Development Programs:
  - a. To participate in development programs, to enter into contracts, formulate plans and to do all things necessary to implement development programs in any area of the State.
  - b. To accept, receive and disburse, in furtherance of its functions, any funds, grants and services made available by the federal government and its agencies, any county, municipality, private or civic sources.
- (8) General Services:
  - a. To locate, maintain and care for public buildings and grounds; to establish, locate, maintain, and care for walks, driveways, trees, shrubs, flowers, fountains, monuments, memorials, markers, and tablets on public grounds; and to beautify the public grounds.
  - b. To provide necessary and adequate cleaning and janitorial service, elevator operation service, and other operation or maintenance services for the public buildings and grounds.
  - c. To provide necessary night watchmen for the public buildings and grounds.
  - d. To make prompt repair of all public buildings and the equipment, furniture, and fixtures thereof; and to establish and operate shops for that purpose.
  - e. To keep in repair, out of funds appropriated for that purpose, the furniture of the halls of the Senate and House of Representatives and the rooms of the Capitol used by the officers, clerks, and other employees of the General Assembly.
  - f. Struck out by Session Laws 1959, c. 68, s. 3.
  - g. To establish and operate a mail service center that shall be used by all State agencies other than the Division of Employment Security (DES) of the Department of Commerce, and in connection therewith and in the discretion of the Secretary, to do all things necessary in connection with the maintenance of the mail service center. The Secretary shall allocate and charge against the respective departments and agencies their proportionate parts of the cost of the maintenance of the mail service center. The Secretary shall develop a plan for the efficient operation of the center that meets the needs of State agencies, ensures timely delivery of mail, and ensures no loss of federal funds.
  - h. To provide necessary and adequate messenger service for the State agencies served by the Department. However, this may not be construed as preventing the employment and control of messengers by any State agency when those messengers are compensated out of the funds of the employing agency.
  - i. To establish and operate a central motor fleet and such subsidiary related facilities as the Secretary may deem necessary, and to that end:
    - 1. To establish and operate central facilities for the maintenance, repair, and storage of state-owned passenger motor vehicles for

the use of State agencies; to utilize any available State facilities for that purpose; and to establish such subsidiary facilities as the Secretary may deem necessary.

2. To acquire passenger motor vehicles by transfer from other State agencies and by purchase. All motor vehicles transferred to or purchased by the Department shall become part of a central motor fleet.
  - 2a. Every new motor vehicle transferred to or purchased by the Department that is designed to operate on diesel fuel shall be covered by an express manufacturer's warranty that allows the use of B-20 fuel, as defined in G.S. 143-58.4. This sub-sub-subdivision does not apply if the intended use, as determined by the Department, of the new motor vehicle requires a type of vehicle for which an express manufacturer's warranty allows the use of B-20 fuel is not available.
  - 2b. As used in this sub-sub-subdivision, "fuel economy" and "class of comparable automobiles" have the same meaning as in Part 600 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (July 1, 2008 Edition). As used in this sub-sub-subdivision, "passenger motor vehicle" has the same meaning as "private passenger vehicle" as defined in G.S. 20-4.01. Notwithstanding the requirements of sub-sub-subdivision 2a. of this sub-subdivision, every request for proposals for new passenger motor vehicles to be purchased by the Department shall state a preference for vehicles that have a fuel economy for the new vehicle's model year that is in the top fifteen percent (15%) of its class of comparable automobiles. The award for every new passenger motor vehicle that is purchased by the Department shall be based on the Department's evaluation of the best value for the State, taking into account fuel economy ratings and life cycle cost that reasonably consider both projected fuel costs and acquisition costs. This sub-sub-subdivision does not apply to vehicles used in law enforcement, emergency medical response, and firefighting.
  - 2c. To participate in the energy credit banking and selling program under G.S. 143-58.4. The Division of Motor Fleet Management of the Department of Administration is eligible to receive proceeds from the Alternative Fuel Revolving Fund under G.S. 143-58.5 to purchase alternative fuel, develop alternative fuel refueling infrastructure, or purchase AFVs as defined in G.S. 143-58.4.
3. To require on a schedule determined by the Department all State agencies to transfer ownership, custody or control of any or all passenger motor vehicles within the ownership, custody or control of that agency to the Department, except those motor vehicles under the ownership, custody or control of the Highway Patrol, the State Bureau of Investigation, the State Capitol

Police, the Alcohol Law Enforcement Division of the Department of Public Safety, the Samarcand Training Academy, or the constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina which are used primarily for law-enforcement purposes.

4. To maintain, store, repair, dispose of, and replace state-owned motor vehicles under the control of the Department, using best management practices. The Department shall ensure that state-owned vehicles are replaced when most cost effective using a replacement formula developed by the Department and reviewed periodically for appropriateness of use. The Department shall report semiannually to the cochairs of the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, on or before October 15 and March 15, on the effect of any new or revised replacement formula on the cost of operating the central motor fleet, including the amount of any savings from use of any new or revised replacement formula.
5. Upon proper requisition, proper showing of need for use on State business only, and proper showing of proof that all persons who will be driving the motor vehicle have valid drivers' licenses, to assign economically suitable transportation, either on a temporary or permanent basis, to any State employee or agency. An agency assigned a motor vehicle may not allow a person to operate that motor vehicle unless that person displays to the agency and allows the agency to copy that person's valid driver's license. Notwithstanding G.S. 20-30(6), persons or agencies requesting assignment of motor vehicles may photostat or otherwise reproduce drivers' licenses for purposes of complying with this subpart.

As used in this subpart, "economically suitable transportation" means the most cost-effective standard vehicle in the State motor fleet, unless special towing provisions are required by the agency. The Department may not assign any employee or agency a motor vehicle that is not economically suitable. The Department shall not approve requests for vehicle assignment or reassignment when the purpose of that assignment or reassignment is to provide any employee with a newer or lower mileage vehicle because of his or her rank, management authority, or length of service or because of any non-job-related reason. The Department shall not assign "special use" vehicles, such as four-wheel drive vehicles or law enforcement vehicles, to any agency or individual except upon written justification, verified by historical data, and accepted by the Secretary. The Department may provide law enforcement vehicles only to those agencies which have statutory pursuit authority.

6. To allocate and charge against each State agency to which transportation is furnished its proportionate part of the cost of maintenance and operation of the motor fleet.

The amount allocated and charged by the Department of Administration to State agencies to which transportation is furnished shall take into account all of the following: (i) vehicle replacement cost, (ii) maintenance cost, (iii) insurance, (iv) use of telematics devices, and (v) the Department's administration cost.

7. To adopt, with the approval of the Governor, reasonable rules for the efficient and economical operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement, as limited by sub-sub-subdivision 4. of sub-subdivision i. of this subdivision, of all state-owned motor vehicles under the control of the Department, and to enforce those rules; and to adopt, with the approval of the Governor, reasonable rules regulating the use of private motor vehicles upon State business by the officers and employees of State agencies, and to enforce those rules. The Department, with the approval of the Governor, may delegate to the respective heads of the agencies to which motor vehicles are permanently assigned by the Department the duty of enforcing the rules adopted by the Department pursuant to this sub-sub-subdivision. Any person who violates a rule adopted by the Department and approved by the Governor is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Nothing in this sub-subdivision shall be construed as prohibiting the Department from contracting with private vendors for short-term rental motor vehicles to be used by officers and employees of State agencies for State business.

- 7a. **(Effective until July 1, 2025)** To adopt with the approval of the Governor and to enforce rules and to coordinate State policy regarding (i) the permanent assignment of state-owned passenger motor vehicles and (ii) the use of and reimbursement for those vehicles for the limited commuting permitted by this subdivision. For the purpose of this subdivision 7a., "state-owned passenger motor vehicle" includes any state-owned passenger motor vehicle, whether or not owned, maintained or controlled by the Department of Administration, and regardless of the source of the funds used to purchase it. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 20-190 or any other provisions of law, all state-owned passenger motor vehicles are subject to the provisions of this subdivision 7a.; no permanent assignment shall be made and no one shall be exempt from payment of reimbursement for commuting or from the other provisions of this subdivision 7a. except as provided by this subdivision 7a. Commuting, as defined and regulated by this subdivision, is limited to those specific cases in which the

Secretary has received and accepted written justification, verified by historical data. The Department shall not assign any state-owned motor vehicle that may be used for commuting other than those authorized by the procedure prescribed in this subdivision.

7a. **(Effective July 1, 2025)** To adopt with the approval of the Governor and to enforce rules and to coordinate State policy regarding (i) the permanent assignment of state-owned passenger motor vehicles and (ii) the use of and reimbursement for those vehicles for the limited commuting permitted by this subdivision. For the purpose of this subdivision 7a., "state-owned passenger motor vehicle" includes any state-owned passenger motor vehicle, whether or not owned, maintained or controlled by the Department of Administration, and regardless of the source of the funds used to purchase it. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 143B-1720 or any other provisions of law, all state-owned passenger motor vehicles are subject to the provisions of this subdivision 7a.; no permanent assignment shall be made and no one shall be exempt from payment of reimbursement for commuting or from the other provisions of this subdivision 7a. except as provided by this subdivision 7a. Commuting, as defined and regulated by this subdivision, is limited to those specific cases in which the Secretary has received and accepted written justification, verified by historical data. The Department shall not assign any state-owned motor vehicle that may be used for commuting other than those authorized by the procedure prescribed in this subdivision.

A State-owned passenger motor vehicle shall not be permanently assigned to an individual who is likely to drive it on official business at a rate of less than 3,150 miles per quarter unless (i) the individual's duties are routinely related to public safety or (ii) the individual's duties are likely to expose the individual routinely to life-threatening situations. A State-owned passenger motor vehicle shall also not be permanently assigned to an agency that is likely to drive it on official business at a rate of less than 3,150 miles per quarter unless the agency can justify to the Division of Motor Fleet Management the need for permanent assignment because of the unique use of the vehicle. Each agency, other than the Department of Transportation, that has a vehicle assigned to it or has an employee to whom a vehicle is assigned shall submit a quarterly report to the Division of Motor Fleet Management on the miles driven during the quarter by the assigned vehicle. The Division of Motor Fleet Management shall review the report to verify that each motor vehicle has been driven at the minimum

allowable rate. If it has not and if the department by whom the individual to which the car is assigned is employed or the agency to which the car is assigned cannot justify the lower mileage for the quarter, the permanent assignment shall be revoked immediately. The Department of Transportation shall submit an annual report to the Division of Motor Fleet Management on the miles driven during the year by vehicles assigned to the Department or to employees of the Department. If a vehicle included in this report has not been driven at least 12,600 miles during the year, the Department of Transportation shall review the reasons for the lower mileage and decide whether to terminate the assignment. The Division of Motor Fleet Management may not revoke the assignment of a vehicle to the Department of Transportation or an employee of that Department for failure to meet the minimum mileage requirement unless the Department of Transportation consents to the revocation.

Every individual who uses a State-owned passenger motor vehicle, pickup truck, or van to drive between the individual's official work station and his or her home, shall reimburse the State for these trips at a rate computed by the Department. This rate shall be derived from a method that approximates the benefit derived from the use of the vehicle as prescribed by federal law, which may include the lease value rule described in Publication 15-B of the Internal Revenue Service. Reimbursement for a member of the Council of State shall be for the actual number of days the member uses the vehicle to commute during the month. Reimbursement for any other individual shall be for 20 days per month regardless of how many days the individual uses the vehicle to commute during the month. Reimbursement shall be made by payroll deduction. Funds derived from reimbursement on vehicles owned by the Motor Fleet Management Division shall be deposited to the credit of the Division; funds derived from reimbursements on vehicles initially purchased with appropriations from the Highway Fund and not owned by the Division shall be deposited in a Special Depository Account in the Department of Transportation, which shall revert to the Highway Fund; funds derived from reimbursement on all other vehicles shall be deposited in a Special Depository Account in the Department of Administration which shall revert to the General Fund. Commuting, for purposes of this sub-sub-subdivision, does not include those individuals whose office is in their home, as determined by the Department of Administration, Division of Motor Fleet Management. Also, this sub-sub-subdivision does not apply to the following vehicles: (i) clearly marked police and

fire vehicles, (ii) delivery trucks with seating only for the driver, (iii) flatbed trucks, (iv) cargo carriers with over a 14,000 pound capacity, (v) school and passenger buses with over 20 person capacities, (vi) ambulances, (vii) [Repealed]. (viii) bucket trucks, (ix) cranes and derricks, (x) forklifts, (xi) cement mixers, (xii) dump trucks, (xiii) garbage trucks, (xiv) specialized utility repair trucks (except vans and pickup trucks), (xv) tractors, (xvi) unmarked law-enforcement vehicles that are used in undercover work and are operated by full-time, fully sworn law-enforcement officers whose primary duties include carrying a firearm, executing search warrants, and making arrests, and (xvii) any other vehicle exempted under Section 274(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and Federal Internal Revenue Service regulations based thereon. The Department of Administration, Division of Motor Fleet Management, shall report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division of the Legislative Services Office on individuals who use State-owned passenger motor vehicles, pickup trucks, or vans between their official work stations and their homes, who are not required to reimburse the State for these trips.

The Department of Administration shall revoke the assignment or require the Department owning the vehicle to revoke the assignment of a State-owned passenger motor vehicle, pickup truck or van to any individual who:

- I. Uses the vehicle for other than official business except in accordance with the commuting rules;
- II. Fails to supply required reports to the Department of Administration, or supplies incomplete reports, or supplies reports in a form unacceptable to the Department of Administration and does not cure the deficiency within 30 days of receiving a request to do so;
- III. Knowingly and willfully supplies false information to the Department of Administration on applications for permanent assignments, commuting reimbursement forms, or other required reports or forms;
- IV. Does not personally sign all reports on forms submitted for vehicles permanently assigned to him or her and does not cure the deficiency within 30 days of receiving a request to do so;
- V. Abuses the vehicle; or
- VI. Violates other rules or policy promulgated by the Department of Administration not in conflict with this act.

A new requisition shall not be honored until the Secretary of the Department of Administration is assured that the violation for which a vehicle was previously revoked will not recur.

The Department of Administration, with the approval of the Governor, may delegate, or conditionally delegate, to the respective heads of agencies which own passenger motor vehicles or to which passenger motor vehicles are permanently assigned by the Department, the duty of enforcing all or part of the rules adopted by the Department of Administration pursuant to this subdivision 7a. The Department of Administration, with the approval of the Governor, may revoke this delegation of authority.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this section and G.S. 14-247, the Department of Administration may allow the organization sanctioned by the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness to conduct the North Carolina State Games to use State trucks and vans for the State Games of North Carolina. The Department of Administration shall not charge any fees for the use of the vehicles for the State Games. The State shall incur no liability for any damages resulting from the use of vehicles under this provision. The organization that conducts the State Games shall carry liability insurance of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) covering such vehicles while in its use and shall be responsible for the full cost of repairs to these vehicles if they are damaged while used for the State Games.

8. To adopt and administer rules for the control of all state-owned passenger motor vehicles and to require State agencies to keep all records and make all reports regarding motor vehicle use as the Secretary deems necessary.
9. To acquire motor vehicle liability insurance on all State-owned motor vehicles under the control of the Department.
10. To contract with the appropriate State prison authorities for the furnishing, upon such conditions as may be agreed upon from time to time between such State prison authorities and the Secretary, of prison labor for use in connection with the operation of a central motor fleet and related activities.
11. To report annually to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government on any rules adopted, amended or repealed under sub-sub-subdivisions 3., 7., or 7a. of this sub-subdivision.

j. To establish and operate central mimeographing and duplicating services, central stenographical and clerical pools, and other central services, if the Governor after appropriate investigation deems it advisable from the standpoint of efficiency and economy in operation to establish any or all such services. The Secretary may allocate and charge against the respective agencies their proportionate part of the cost of

maintenance and operation of the central services which are established, in accordance with the rules adopted by him and approved by the Governor and Council of State pursuant to paragraph k, below. Upon the establishment of central mimeographing and duplicating services, the Secretary may, with the approval of the Governor, require any State agency to be served by those central services to transfer to the Department ownership, custody, and control of any or all mimeographing and duplicating equipment and supplies within the ownership, custody, or control of such agency.

k. To require the State agencies and their officers and employees to utilize the central facilities and services which are established; and to adopt, with the approval of the Governor and Council of State, reasonable rules and procedures requiring the utilization of such central facilities and services, and governing their operation and the charges to be made for their services.

l. To provide necessary information service for visitors to the Capitol.

m. To perform such additional duties and exercise such additional powers as may be assigned to it by statute or by the Governor.

(9) Repealed by Session Laws 1989, c. 239, s. 2.

(10) Block Grants. – To establish and maintain a block grants manual that will ensure uniform administration of block grant funds. The manual shall be a comprehensive source of reference for all general and statewide administrative procedures for block grant funds. The manual shall contain the applicable procedures for: the contents of an application, which shall be as simple as possible; the awarding of or contracting with block grant funds; auditing, which shall, to the extent possible, promote the use of single audits of grantees; the ensuring of civil rights compliance by grantees; and monitoring.

(11) Energy-related matters. – To exercise those powers and perform those duties prescribed in Article 1 of Chapter 113B and Part 1 of Article 3B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes and Parts 2 and 3 of this Article.

(12) Nonpublic Schools:

a. Via the Division of Nonpublic Education (Division), to submit reports to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government, the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Education, and the Fiscal Research Division by July 15 of each year that include all of the following, including the methodology used to gather or estimate the information:

1. For schools to which Part 1 and Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes relate, excluding home schools as defined in Part 3 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes:

I. Statewide. –

A. Total number of all schools and total number of schools by type. For purposes of this subdivision, the term "type" means the school is operating as a private church school or school of religious

charter under Part 1 or as a nonpublic school under Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes.

- B. Total student enrollment and total student enrollment by type of school.
- C. Total student enrollment by grade.
- D. Total student enrollment by sex.

II. For each county. –

- A. Total number of all schools and total number of schools by type.
- B. Total student enrollment and total student enrollment by type of school.
- C. Total student enrollment by grade.

2. For home schools as that term is defined in Part 3 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes:

I. Statewide. –

- A. Total number of all home schools and total number of home schools electing to operate under Part 1 and total number electing to operate under Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes.
- B. Total student enrollment and total student enrollment for home schools electing to operate under Part 1 and total enrollment for home schools electing to operate under Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes.
- C. Total student enrollment by grade.

II. For each county. –

- A. Total number of home schools.
- B. Total student enrollment.

b. The Division shall prepare separate reports for the information required by sub-sub-subdivisions a.1. and a.2. of this subdivision.

c. The Division shall annually prepare and publish on its website a statistical history report on (i) the total number of schools and total student enrollment for schools to which Part 1 and Part 2 of Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes relate, excluding home schools, and (ii) the total number of home schools and the total student enrollment for home schools.

(13) Report on Vehicles Managed. – Beginning on June 1, 2022, and semiannually thereafter, the Department of Administration shall provide a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the status of all motor vehicles managed by the Department of Administration for the Department of Public Safety. The report shall include all of the following information:

- a. The number of motor vehicles managed by the Department of Administration for the Department of Public Safety.
- b. The condition of each motor vehicle, including the mileage on each motor vehicle.
- c. The average amount of time taken to repair or replace a motor vehicle.
- d. The number and condition of any backup motor vehicles managed by the Department of Administration and available for use by the Department of Public Safety, including the location and condition of each motor vehicle. (1957, c. 215, s. 2; c. 269, s. 1; 1959, c. 683, ss. 2-4; c. 1326; 1963, c. 1, s. 5; 1965, c. 1023; 1969, c. 1144, s. 2; 1971, c. 1097, s. 3; 1975, c. 399, ss. 1, 2; c. 879, s. 46; 1979, c. 136, s. 1; c. 544; 1979, 2nd Sess., c. 1137, s. 38; 1981, c. 300; c. 859, ss. 48-51; 1981 (Reg. Sess., 1982), c. 1282, s. 62; 1983, c. 267, s. 1; c. 717, s. 74; c. 761, ss. 58, 151, 173, 174; c. 923, s. 217; 1983 (Reg. Sess., 1984), c. 1034, s. 122; 1985, c. 479, ss. 168, 170, 174; c. 757, ss. 174, 175, 177; c. 791, s. 51; 1985 (Reg. Sess., 1986), c. 955, ss. 94, 94.1; 1987, c. 738, ss. 43-45, 47(a); c. 827, s. 220; c. 874; 1987 (Reg. Sess., 1988), c. 1086, s. 34(b); 1989, c. 58, s. 2; c. 239, s. 2; 1991, c. 542, s. 10; c. 689, s. 22; 1993, c. 539, s. 1030; 1994, Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c); 1995, c. 97, s. 1; c. 402, s. 1; 1996, 2nd Ex. Sess., c. 18, s. 10.2; 1997-412, s. 6; 1998-45, s. 1; 2000-140, s. 76(g); 2000-153, s. 2; 2001-424, s. 7.4; 2001-496, s. 8(d); 2002-126, s. 19.2; 2003-177, s. 1; 2003-284, ss. 18.1, 46.3; 2003-314, s. 1.2; 2005-276, s. 6.25(b); 2005-300, s. 1; 2005-413, s. 3; 2006-203, ss. 96, 97; 2006-217, s. 1.1; 2007-420, s. 2; 2007-446, s. 5; 2009-241, s. 1; 2009-474, s. 5; 2010-167, s. 6; 2011-145, ss. 9.19, 19.1(g), 30.12(b); 2011-401, s. 5.1; 2013-360, s. 16B.4(c); 2016-29, s. 1; 2016-119, ss. 2(a), 3(b); 2017-10, s. 4.5; 2017-57, ss. 31.3(d), 36.8(a); 2018-5, s. 16.3; 2019-203, s. 11; 2020-81, s. 4(g); 2020-90, s. 2.4; 2021-180, ss. 20.2A, 20.9, 37.1(d), 40.6; 2022-6, s. 18.4; 2022-58, s. 14; 2022-69, s. 5; 2024-57, s. 3E.2(aa).)

**§ 143-341.1: Repealed by Session Laws 2009-451, s. 17.3(c), effective July 1, 2009.**

**§ 143-341.2. Proactive management of State-owned and State-leased real property portfolio.**

(a) Duties of the Department of Administration. – The Department of Administration shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) Development of comprehensive State facilities plan. – No later than April 1, 2023, and every five years thereafter, the Department of Administration shall develop and implement a plan to comprehensively manage, acquire, and dispose of the facilities and spaces required to fully support State government operations. The plan shall do all of the following:
  - a. Identify the type, quantity, and location of facilities and spaces required to fully support State government operations.
  - b. Include an in-depth analysis of existing State-owned facilities' locations, capability, utilization, and condition.

- c. Establish strategic priorities and objectives that allow the Department of Administration to manage the performance of the State's portfolio of real property in a way that maximizes the utilization of State-owned facilities and minimizes operating and maintenance costs.
- d. Take into consideration the information provided to the Department in five-year real property management plans submitted by State agencies pursuant to subdivision (b)(4) of this section.
- e. Provide a mechanism for allocating available facilities or space to State agencies that need it in a manner that reduces the need to acquire new space through purchase, lease, or other means.
- f. Provide recommendations for disposing of existing State property and facilities, consolidating operations among existing facilities, and relocating State agencies from leased facilities to State-owned facilities.
- g. Describe all changes made to space planning standards developed and distributed as provided in subdivision (4) of this subsection.

(2) Development of performance management system. – The Department of Administration shall establish a performance management system to measure the State's achievement of the priorities and objectives set forth in plans developed pursuant to subdivision (1) of this section. The system shall set measurable goals and deadlines and shall be designed to focus on optimization and efficiency of the State's portfolio of real property. The system shall be used to report the information required by sub-sub-subdivision (7)c.1. of this section.

(3) Development of utilization measures. – The Department of Administration shall develop and distribute to State agencies procedures to be used to measure the utilization of State-owned and State-leased real property. The procedures developed pursuant to this subdivision shall be all of the following:

- a. Based on the percentage of usable square feet in a facility that is used for State agency functions or for storage, or on other trade industry standards of utilization measurement.
- b. Adjusted as appropriate for each facility type.
- c. Designed to yield an easily understandable index or ratio of facility utilization.
- d. Developed in consultation with State agencies.

(4) Development and enforcement of space planning standards. – The Department of Administration shall develop and distribute to State agencies space planning standards to be used to determine workspace size and to govern the use of shared space. The standards developed pursuant to this subdivision shall be based on the Federal GSA's Office of Real Property Management Performance Measurement Division Workspace Utilization and Allocation Benchmark report unless the Department identifies another efficient industry standard upon which to base the space planning standards developed pursuant to this subdivision. The Department shall:

- a. Annually perform audits of a portion of State agencies to determine each agency's adherence to the space planning standards developed pursuant to this subdivision and shall send formal letters of admonishment to any

agency that fails to justify, in the sole discretion of the Department, any deviation from those standards.

b. Update the space planning standards developed pursuant to this subdivision at least once every five years and distribute those changes to State agencies.

(5) Updating of real property inventories. – The Department of Administration shall do all of the following to ensure that the information contained in the inventories maintained pursuant to G.S. 143-341(4) is kept current:

a. Immediately incorporate information received from State agencies pursuant to subdivision (b)(1) of this section into the inventories.

b. Immediately notify State agencies when the incorporation of information into the inventories required by sub-subdivision a. of this subdivision is complete.

(6) Development of surplus property identification and disposal system. – The Department of Administration shall establish a surplus real property disposal system that limits the duration that unneeded property is retained by the State. As part of the system, the Department shall adopt rules defining surplus State-owned real property and establishing a system for continuously identifying and disposing of that property, subject to the approvals required by Chapter 146 of the General Statutes, which shall take into consideration all of the following:

a. The value each facility or parcel of land brings to the performance of the mission of the State or State agency and the fulfillment of its goals and objectives.

b. A general measure of the facility's condition calculated as a ratio of repair needs to replacement value.

c. The degree to which the property is utilized, measured in accordance with the procedures developed pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection.

d. The extent to which the property meets the purpose for which it was intended.

e. The extent to which the State or State agency is likely to need to continue to provide the service or function currently provided at the property.

f. Consideration of the best and most cost-effective manner in which these future needs can be met.

(7) Reporting. – The Department of Administration shall make the following reports:

a. No later than April 1, 2023, and every five years thereafter, the Department shall report the following to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements, Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government, and Fiscal Research Division:

1. The plan developed pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

2. A summary of the performance measurement procedures developed pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection.
- b. If any State agency fails to submit the information required by subdivision (b)(1) of this section, the Department shall report the failure to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements, and the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government within 30 days.
- c. No later than April 1, 2024, and each year thereafter, the Department shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements, Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government, and Fiscal Research Division on the State's portfolio of real property. This report shall include at least the following information:
  1. The status of achieving the goals and objectives set forth in the most recent plan developed pursuant to subdivision (1) of this section.
  2. Trends in the inventory of leased and owned buildings and real property, including changes in value, square footage, and operation and maintenance costs.
  3. Trends in the inventory of State-owned land, including changes in acreage and value.
  4. Allocation of leased and owned space by facility type, by agency, and by county.
  5. Benchmarks for comparable private sector leases across the regions of the State for both rural and urban locations, as appropriate.
  6. An analysis of utilization targets and a list of owned and leased real property identified as unused or underutilized.
  7. A list of the following information for the period beginning after submission of the most recent report pursuant to this sub-subdivision:
    - I. State-owned properties identified as unused or underutilized.
    - II. State-owned properties sold.
    - III. State-owned properties in the process of being disposed of.
    - IV. Properties reallocated between State agencies.
  8. A list of all audits performed that year pursuant to sub-subdivision a. of subdivision (4) of this subsection, a summary of the findings of each audit, and the agency's plans for addressing the findings of the audit.

(b) Duties of Other State Agencies. – Each State agency shall have the following powers and duties:

- (1) Collection and reporting of information on property use. – No later than November 1, 2022, and each year thereafter, each State agency shall submit to the Department of Administration all of the information described in G.S. 143-341(4)b.1. through 15. for each building, facility, or space in any building or facility that the agency occupies. This shall be in addition to any reports required pursuant to G.S. 143-341(4)h.
- (2) Verification of information in real property inventories. – Within 60 days of receiving notice from the Department of Administration pursuant to sub-subdivision (a)(5)b. of this section, each State agency shall report to the Department one of the following, as applicable:
  - a. That the information submitted to the Department of Administration pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection is accurately reflected in the real property inventories.
  - b. A list of discrepancies between the information submitted to the Department of Administration pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and the corresponding information in the real property inventories.
- (3) Auditor may audit submissions. – The State Auditor may audit submissions made to the Department of Administration pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and may recover any costs incurred in performing such an audit from the State Land Fund, in accordance with G.S. 146-72.
- (4) Development of five-year property management plan. – No later than November 1, 2022, and every five years thereafter, each State agency shall develop a five-year real property management plan and shall submit the plan to the Department of Administration for review. Each plan shall do all of the following:
  - a. Identify the type, quantity, and location of facilities and spaces required to fully support agency operations.
  - b. Include an in-depth analysis of existing facilities' locations, capabilities, utilization, and condition.
  - c. Establish agency-specific strategic priorities and objectives for each asset under its control.

(c) Exception for Property Not Subject to Department of Administration Oversight. – None of the requirements of this section shall apply to facilities that are not subject to the real property oversight of the Department of Administration under G.S. 143-341. A State agency that is entirely exempt from the real property oversight of the Department of Administration shall not be required to submit any information pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. A State agency that is partially exempt from the real property oversight of the Department of Administration shall submit information pursuant to subsection (b) of this section for those properties that are subject to the real property oversight of the Department of Administration. (2016-119, s. 1(a); 2017-102, s. 22; 2021-180, ss. 20.1(a), 27.2(f).)

#### **§ 143-342. Rules governing allocation of property and space.**

The Governor, with the approval of the Council of State, shall adopt such reasonable rules, regulations, and procedures as he deems necessary concerning the allocation and reallocation by

the Department of land, buildings, and space within buildings to and among the several State agencies. (1957, c. 269, s. 1.)

**§ 143-342.1. State-owned office space; fees for use by self-supporting agencies.**

The Department shall determine equitable fees for the use of State owned and operated office space, and it shall assess the Department of State Treasurer, the Department of Insurance, and all self-supporting agencies using any of this office space for payment of these fees. For the purposes of this section, self-supporting agencies are those agencies designated by the Director of the Budget as being primarily funded from sources other than State appropriations. Fees assessed under this section shall be paid to the General Fund. (1977, 2nd Sess., c. 1219, s. 48; 1983, c. 717, ss. 76, 77; 1997-443, s. 27.4.)

**§ 143-343. General Services Division.**

If the Governor and Council of State at any time determine, pursuant to G.S. 129-11, that the General Services Division should be made a part of the Department of Administration, the powers and duties given the Director of General Services by statute shall thereafter be deemed a part of the statutory powers and duties of the Director of Administration, and the powers and duties given the General Services Division by statute shall thereafter be deemed a part of the statutory powers and duties of the Department of Administration. The head of the General Services Division shall thereafter be appointed and removed, and his salary shall be fixed, in the same manner prescribed for other division heads. Upon the accomplishment of such transfer, the General Services Division shall thereafter be in all respects a part of the Department of Administration and subject to the supervision and control of the Director of Administration. (1957, c. 269, s. 1.)

**§ 143-344. Transfer of functions, property, records, etc.**

- (a) Repealed by Session Laws 1979, 2nd Session, c. 1137, s. 39.
- (b) All of the powers, duties, functions, records, property, supplies, equipment, personnel, funds, credits, appropriations, quarterly allotments, and executory contracts of the Division of Purchase and Contract are hereby transferred to the Department of Administration, effective July 1, 1957. All statutory references to the "Division of Purchase and Contract" or the "Purchase and Contract Division" shall be deemed to refer to the Department of Administration.
- (c) The transfers directed by subsections (a) and (b) above, shall be made under the supervision of the Governor, and he shall be the final arbiter of all differences or disputes arising incident to such transfers.
- (d) Repealed by Session Laws 2006-203, s. 98, effective July 1, 2007, and applicable to the budget for the 2007-2009 biennium and each subsequent biennium thereafter. (1957, c. 269, s. 1; 1979, 2nd Sess., c. 1137, s. 39; 2006-203, s. 98.)

**§ 143-345. Saving clause.**

No transfer of functions to the Department of Administration provided for in this Article shall affect any action, suit, proceeding, prosecution, contract, lease, or other business transaction involving such a function which was initiated, undertaken, or entered into prior to or pending the time of the transfer, except that the Department shall be substituted for the agency from which the function was transferred, and so far as practicable the procedure provided for in this Article shall be employed in completing or disposing of the matter. (1957, c. 269, s. 1.)

### **§ 143-345.1. Rules and regulations.**

The Governor, with the approval of the Council of State, shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations governing the use, care, protection, and maintenance of the public buildings and grounds (other than parking). Any person who violates a rule or regulation adopted by the Governor with the approval of the Council of State is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. (1957, c. 215, s. 2; 1971, c. 1097, s. 4; 1993, c. 539, s. 1031; 1994, Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c).)

### **§ 143-345.2. Disorderly conduct in and injury to public buildings and grounds.**

Any person who commits a nuisance or conducts himself in a disorderly manner in or around any public building or grounds, or defaces or injures any public building or grounds, is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. (1957, c. 215, s. 2; 1971, c. 1097, s. 4; 1993, c. 539, s. 1032; 1994, Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c).)

### **§ 143-345.3. Construction and repair of public buildings; use of Contingency and Emergency Fund.**

It is lawful to resort to the Contingency and Emergency Fund provided in the Appropriation Act for financial aid in the construction, alteration, renovation, or repair of any public building, when in the opinion of the Governor and Council of State it is necessary to construct, alter, renovate, or repair such building. (1957, c. 215, s. 2; 1971, c. 1097, s. 4.)

### **§ 143-345.4. Moore and Nash squares and other public lots.**

The governing body of the City of Raleigh is authorized, at its own expense, to grade, to lay out in walks, to plant with trees, shrubbery, and flowers and otherwise to adorn Moore and Nash squares and to that end has the general charge and management of these squares. The governing body may manage and improve in like manner any of the vacant lots within the city limits which belong to the State and which are not otherwise appropriated, subject to the approval of the Governor and Council of State. The governing body may not prevent the free access of the public to such squares or lots during reasonable hours.

Whenever, in the opinion of the Secretary, the governing body is not properly keeping the squares or lots which it has taken in charge under this section, the Secretary shall call the matter to the attention of the governing body, and if the governing body then fails for a period of 60 days to begin to take proper care of the squares or lots, the Governor and Council of State may repossess them and proceed to manage and control them for the preservation of such property.

In the event that the use of these squares and lots is at any time needed by the State, the license of the City of Raleigh to control and manage them shall terminate six months after notice given by the Governor and Council of State to the governing body of the city, and possession shall be promptly surrendered to the State. (1957, c. 215, s. 2; 1971, c. 1097, s. 4; 1975, c. 879, s. 46.)

### **§ 143-345.5. Program for location and construction of future public buildings.**

The Department of Administration is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to formulate a long range building policy program and shall cooperate with the governing board of the City of Raleigh in zoning property adjacent to or in the vicinity of the Capitol Square when and if the City of Raleigh desires to zone said property. If the Department of Administration is of opinion that property adjacent to or in the vicinity of the Capitol Square will, in the future, be needed for State building purposes, it shall so advise the governing body of the City of Raleigh. At such times as the governing body of the City of Raleigh shall rezone property adjacent to or within four blocks of the

State Capitol, it shall request an opinion from the Department of Administration as to whether the Department finds a future need for such property for State building purposes. In the event that the governing board of the City of Raleigh is informed by the Department of Administration that any property herein covered be needed for building purposes by the State in the future, the governing body of the City of Raleigh shall give full consideration to such opinion of the Department before making any rezoning order. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no local zoning ordinance shall apply to any State-owned building built or to be built on any State-owned land within six blocks of the State Capitol without the consent of the Council of State. (1951, c. 1132; 1957, c. 215, s. 2; 1971, c. 1097, s. 4; 2007-482, s. 1.)

**§ 143-345.6: Recodified as § 147-54.3 by Session Laws 1991, c. 689, s. 181(b).**

**§ 143-345.7. Repair and reconstruction of the Western Residence of the Governor.**

If the Western Residence of the Governor in Asheville is damaged or destroyed by fire or other disaster, it shall be repaired or reconstructed. Funds from the Contingency and Emergency Fund may be used for this purpose with the approval of the Director of the Budget if insurance coverage on the property should be inadequate. Insurance on the Western Governor's mansion shall be as adequate as possible and used in case of a fire or devastation of the mansion for the purpose of rebuilding or repairing the mansion. (1983, c. 602.)

**§ 143-345.8. North Carolina Purchase Directory.**

The Division of Purchase and Contract of the Department of Administration shall electronically advertise information on contract and purchase requirements from the Division of Purchase and Contract, the Office of State Construction, the Department of Transportation, and other agencies of State government which make direct purchases from private suppliers. The Division shall coordinate with the other departments of State government to ensure that the electronic advertisement is meeting the goals of disseminating as widely as possible and in a timely manner information on those State contracts which are open for bids. A printed copy of any information that is electronically advertised shall be made available to any party upon request. The Secretary of the Department of Administration may adopt rules governing the routine and procedures to be followed in advertising information on contract and purchase opportunities, what contracts and purchases will be advertised, and under what conditions exceptions to the electronic advertisement may occur. (1983, c. 839; 1999-417, s. 1.)

**§ 143-345.9. Official "Prisoner of War/Missing in Action" flag to be flown over the State Capitol.**

The Department of Administration is authorized to fly the official "Prisoner of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA)" flag over the State Capitol on Veterans Day, Memorial Day, Armed Forces Day, and all other national holidays honoring veterans. (1989, c. 613.)

**§ 143-345.10. Parking of maintenance vehicles.**

Maintenance vehicles of the Department of Administration may park without charge at any metered parking space located on the street blocks bordering the State's Capitol Square when performing work at or on the State's Capitol Square. No maintenance vehicle shall be parked upon the State's Capitol Square in a location that obstructs the view of or access to any monument on the

Square, unless the vehicle itself is needed to perform some maintenance function or duty required by this Article. (2009-262, s. 1.)

**§ 143-345.11. Secretary's approval of plans for State buildings required.**

(a) No agency or other person authorized or directed by law to select a plan and erect a building for the use of the State or any State institution shall receive and approve of the plan until it is submitted to and approved by the Secretary as to State construction standards and at a minimum as to the safety of the proposed building from fire, including the property's occupants or contents. For the purposes of this subsection, buildings, facilities, or projects located on State lands that are (i) privately owned or privately leased and (ii) located within the North Carolina Global TransPark are exempt.

(b) Any plan submitted to the Commissioner of Insurance and approved prior to October 1, 2009 shall be deemed to have been approved jointly by the Commissioner of Insurance and the Secretary.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, nothing in this section shall be construed to abrogate the authority of the State Fire Marshal under G.S. 58-31-41 or any other provision of law.

(d) The Secretary shall provide quarterly written reports on plans reviewed and approved under this section to the State Fire Marshal. The reports shall be made in a form approved by the State Fire Marshal and the Secretary. (2009-474, s. 2; 2020-90, s. 2.5; 2024-1, s. 6.4(h).)

**§ 143-345.12. Reserved for future codification purposes.**

Part 2. Stocks of Coal and Petroleum Fuels.

**§ 143-345.13. Reporting of stocks of coal and petroleum fuels.**

The Department of Administration may, with the prior express approval of the Utilities Commission and the Governor, require that all coal and petroleum suppliers in North Carolina supplying coal, motor gasoline, middle distillates, residual oils, and propane for resale within the State, file with the Department of Administration, on forms prepared by the Department, accurate reports as to the stocks of coal and petroleum products and storage capacities maintained by the supplier, including the supplier's current inventory and stock of coal, motor gasoline, middle distillates, residual oils and propane, the expected time such supplies will last under ordinary distribution demand and the schedule for receiving additional or replacement stocks. The reports and the information contained therein shall be proprietary information available only to regular employees of the Department of Administration, except that aggregate tables or schedules consolidating information from the reports may be released if they do not reveal individual report data for any named supplier. It is further the intent of this section that no information shall be required from coal and petroleum suppliers, that is, at the time the reports are requested, already on file with any agency, commission, or department of State government.

It is the intent of this section that the reports be filed only at such times as the Utilities Commission and the Governor determine that an energy crisis as defined in G.S. 113B-20 exists or may be imminent.

If any petroleum or coal supplier fails to file the accurate reports as may be required by this section for more than 10 days after the date on which any such report is due, the Secretary of Administration is authorized and empowered to petition the district court, Division of the General Court of Justice, in the county in which the principal office or place of business of the supplier is

located, for a mandatory injunction compelling the supplier to file the report. (2000-140, s. 76(i); 2024-57, s. 3F.2(e).)

**§ 143-345.14. Authority to collect data; administration and enforcement; confidentiality.**

(a) The Department of Administration shall have the authority to obtain from prime suppliers of petroleum products specific petroleum supply data concerning State-level sales and projected sales by month for North Carolina that is currently reported on the federal Form EIA-782C, "Monthly Report of Petroleum Products Sold in States for Consumption" or its successor, at such time that these data requirements are not being met through any federal reporting procedure. The petroleum products subject to this reporting requirement are: finished gasoline (all grades), #1 distillate, kerosene, #2 fuel oil, #2 diesel fuel, aviation gasoline (finished), kerosene-type jet fuel, naphtha-type jet fuel, #4 fuel, residual fuel oil (less than or equal to one percent sulfur), residual fuel oil (greater than one percent sulfur), propane (consumer grade). The authority to collect energy data from suppliers of petroleum products into North Carolina, that is granted to the Department of Administration in this section, shall be limited to the petroleum volume data that is reported on the Form EIA-782C or its successor.

(b) "Prime suppliers" shall be defined as those suppliers which make the first sale of the named product into North Carolina, excluding jobbers, distributors, and retail dealers.

(c) The Department of Administration shall adopt rules and regulations for the administration of this data collection program and the Attorney General and the law enforcement authorities of the State and its political subdivisions shall enforce the provisions of this section and all orders, rules, and regulations promulgated thereunder. Any enforcement action may be brought upon the relation of the Department of Administration or the direction of the Attorney General.

(d) Any person or corporation who willfully refuses to provide the petroleum supply data in accordance with the conditions described herein, or who knowingly or willfully submits false information in any reports required herein or refuses to file any reports shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

(e) Any civil action brought to enforce the provisions of this section shall be brought in the Superior Court of Wake County or in the superior court of the county in which the acts or practices constituting a violation occurred or are occurring.

(f) The Department of Administration shall keep confidential any individually identifiable energy information to the extent necessary to comply with the confidentiality requirements of the reporting agency, and any such information shall not be subject to the public disclosure requirements of G.S. 132-6. "Individually identifiable energy information" shall be defined as any individual record or portion of a record or aggregated data containing energy information about a person or persons obtained from any source, the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to reveal information about a specific person. (2000-140, s. 76(i).)

**§ 143-345.15. Reserved for future codification purposes.**

Part 3. Energy Loan Fund.

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