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SENATE BILL 220

Short Title: Hiring Freeze.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Kaplan.

Referred to: State Personnel and State Government.

March 11, 1991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CONTROL THE FILLING OF VACANT POSITIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Vacant positions shall not be filled and positions shall not be reclassified without prior approval of the General Assembly. This limitation applies to all permanent positions, including positions in nonstate agencies, that are partially or totally funded from general funds, highway funds, special funds, federal funds, or any other departmental receipts.

Sec. 2. Each department, institution, or agency that wishes to fill a position subject to Section 1 of this act, shall provide to the Office of State Budget and Management, on a form adopted by the Office of State Budget and Management, the justification for filling the position. Within seven days of receiving the request, the Office of State Budget and Management shall forward the request and its recommendation regarding the request to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sec. 3. Section 1 of this act does not apply to:

- (1) Positions which the Office of State Budget and Management has already approved to be filled prior to the effective date of this act;
- (2) Vacancies existing because individuals are on, or obtain leave without pay in accordance with existing personnel policies;
- (3) Positions now filled by an employee in training when the position is currently budgeted at a higher level; and
- (4) Positions of constitutional officers of the State.

1 Sec. 4. This act is effective upon ratification and shall remain in effect
2 through June 30, 1991.