## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

S SENATE BILL 589\*

Short Title: Livable State Minimum Wage. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Kinnaird; Dorsett, Gulley, Holloman, Lucas, and Malone.

Referred to: Commerce.

## March 31, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AMENDING THE WAGE AND HOUR ACT TO RAISE THE STATE

MINIMUM WAGE TO A LIVABLE WAGE.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 95-25.3(a) reads as rewritten:

## "§ 95-25.3. Minimum wage.

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(a) Every employer shall pay to each employee who in any workweek performs any work, wages of at least the minimum wage set forth in paragraph 1 of section 6(a) of the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1), as that wage may change from time to time, six dollars and fifteen cents (\$6.15) per hour, increasing to seven dollars and fifteen cents (\$7.15) per hour on Labor Day 2004, and increasing to eight dollars and fifty cents (\$8.50) per hour on Labor Day 2005, except as otherwise provided in this section."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective September 1, 2003.