

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2005**

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**SENATE DRS85433-RR-72 (05/17)**

Short Title: Pender Commissioner Districts.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Senator Soles.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PENDER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO  
REDEFINE THE COMMISSIONERS' RESIDENCY DISTRICTS TO CORRECT  
POPULATION INEQUALITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 153A-22(g), the Pender County Board of Commissioners may by resolution redefine the county commissioner districts of the county to correct substantial inequality among the districts in population, if the board finds as a fact that a substantial inequality among the districts exists. The following provisions shall apply to any resolution adopted by the board pursuant to this section:

- (1) Each district in the resolution shall be composed of territory within a continuous boundary.
- (2) No change in the boundaries of an electoral district may affect the unexpired term of office of a commissioner residing in the district and serving on the board on the effective date of the resolution. If the terms of office of members of the board do not all expire at the same time, the resolution shall state which seats are to be filled at the initial election held under the resolution.
- (3) A resolution adopted pursuant to this section shall be the basis of electing persons to the board of commissioners at the first general election for members of the board of commissioners occurring after the resolution's effective date, and thereafter. A resolution becomes effective upon its adoption, unless it is adopted during the period beginning 150 days before the day of a primary and ending on the day of the next succeeding general election for membership on the board of

1                   commissioners, in which case it becomes effective on the first day  
2                   after the end of the period.  
3           (4)   Not later than 10 days after the day on which a resolution becomes  
4                   effective, the clerk shall file in the Secretary of State's office, in the  
5                   office of the register of deeds of the county, and with the chairman of  
6                   the county board of elections, a certified copy of the resolution.

7           **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.