

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 555*

Short Title: Transparency in Recommendations. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Tillis; Blust, Brown, Burr, Cleveland, Gulley, Lewis, and West.

Referred to: State Government/State Personnel, if favorable, Judiciary III.

March 12, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT MAKING A PUBLIC RECORD ANY COMMUNICATION BY A PUBLIC
OFFICER REGARDING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN APPLICANT FOR STATE
EMPLOYMENT OR APPOINTMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Chapter 132 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
section to read:

"§ 132-11. Public officer communications regarding applicants for public employment.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any document or communication produced by
a public officer (State or local) with respect to a person seeking a position of public
employment or appointment with any State agency to recommend or discourage the
employment or appointment of that person is a public record under this Chapter."

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

