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HOUSE BILL 978*

Short Title: Restore Prior Appt. Process/Auctioneers Comm. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Gibson; Burr, Faison, Lucas, Spear, Tarleton, and Wray.

Referred to: Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, if favorable, State Government/State Personnel.

April 2, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO RESTORE THE FORMER APPOINTMENT PROCESS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA AUCTIONEERS COMMISSION WHEREBY AT LEAST THREE MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO BE APPOINTED TO THE COMMISSION PURSUANT TO NOMINATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE AUCTIONEERS ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO MAKE OTHER CLARIFYING CHANGES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 85B-3 reads as rewritten:

"§ 85B-3. Auctioneers Commission.

(a) There shall be a five-member North Carolina Auctioneers Commission having the powers and responsibilities set out in this Chapter. The Governor shall appoint the members of the Commission, at least three of whom, and their successors, ~~may~~ shall be from nominations submitted by the Auctioneers Association of North Carolina. The Auctioneers Association shall submit, within 45 days of when the vacancy occurs, at least three names for each position for which it is entitled to make a nomination. Of the initial five members of the Commission one shall be appointed for a one-year term, two shall be appointed for two-year terms and two for three-year terms; thereafter, each new member shall be appointed for a term of three years. Any vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term only. Each member shall continue in office until his successor is appointed and qualified. No member shall serve more than two complete consecutive terms. Notwithstanding the term for which a member is appointed, each member shall serve at the will of the appointing authority.

(b) At least three members of the Commission shall be experienced auctioneers who are licensed under this Chapter. One member shall be a person who shall represent the public at large and shall not be licensed under this Chapter.

(b1) Each member of the Commission shall be a resident of this State and a citizen of the United States.

(b2) No licensee who has been disciplined by the Commission within five years immediately preceding the date from which the appointment is sought shall be eligible for appointment to the Commission.

(c) The Commission shall employ an executive director and other employees as needed to carry out the duties of this Chapter. ~~All employees shall serve at the pleasure of the Commission.~~ No employee shall be removed from service to the Commission except for good cause shown.

(d) Any action that may be taken by the Commission may be taken by vote of any three of its members.



- 1 (e) The members of the Commission shall elect from among themselves a chairman to
2 serve a one-year term. No person shall serve more than two consecutive terms as chairman.
3 (f) Repealed by Session Laws 1999-142, s. 1, effective October 1, 1999.
4 (g) Members of the Commission shall receive the compensation set for members of
5 occupational licensing boards by G.S. 93B-5."

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