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Short Title: Trustee Appointments/Isothermal Comm. Coll. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Hager.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE MANNER OF SELECTION OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF
3 THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. G.S. 115D-12(a) reads as rewritten:

6 "(a) Each community college established or operated pursuant to this Chapter shall be
7 governed by a board of trustees consisting of 13 members, or of additional members if selected
8 according to the special procedure prescribed by the third paragraph of this subsection, who
9 shall be selected by the following agencies. No member of the General Assembly may be
10 appointed to a local board of trustees for a community college.

11 ~~Group One – four trustees, elected by the board of education of the public school~~
12 ~~administrative unit located in the administrative area of the institution. If there are two or more~~
13 ~~public school administrative units, whether city or county units, or both, located within the~~
14 ~~administrative area, the trustees shall be elected jointly by all of the boards of education of~~
15 ~~those units, each board having one vote in the election of each trustee, except as provided in~~
16 ~~G.S. 115D-59. No board of education shall elect a member of the board of education or any~~
17 ~~person employed by the board of education to serve as a trustee, however, any such person~~
18 ~~currently serving on a board of trustees shall be permitted to fulfill the unexpired portion of the~~
19 ~~trustee's current term.~~ appointed by the General Assembly as follows:

20 (1) The appointment of a trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2015, shall be
21 made by the General Assembly, upon the recommendation of the Speaker of
22 the House of Representatives.

23 (2) The appointment of a trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2016, shall be
24 made by the General Assembly, upon the recommendation of the President
25 Pro Tempore of the Senate.

26 (3) The appointment of a trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2017, shall be
27 made by the General Assembly, upon the recommendation of the Speaker of
28 the House of Representatives.

29 (4) The appointment of a trustee for a term commencing July 1, 2018, shall be
30 made by the General Assembly, upon the recommendation of the President
31 Pro Tempore of the Senate.

32 Vacancies in positions appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the
33 President Pro Tempore of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be
34 filled in accordance with G.S. 120-122.

35 Group Two – four trustees, elected by the board of commissioners of the county in which
36 the institution is located. Provided, however, if the administrative area of the institution is



1 composed of two or more counties, the trustees shall be elected jointly by the boards of
2 commissioners of all those counties, each board having one vote in the election of each trustee.
3 Provided, also, the county commissioners of the county in which the community college has
4 established a satellite campus may elect an additional two members if the board of trustees of
5 the community college agrees. No more than one trustee from Group Two may be a member of
6 a board of county commissioners. Should the boards of education or the boards of
7 commissioners involved be unable to agree on one or more trustees the senior resident superior
8 court judge in the superior court district or set of districts as defined in G.S. 7A-41.1 where the
9 institution is located shall fill the position or positions by appointment.

10 Group Three – four trustees, appointed by the Governor.

11 Group Four – the president of the student government or the chairman of the executive
12 board of the student body of each community college established pursuant to this Chapter shall
13 be an ex officio nonvoting member of the board of trustees of each said institution."

14 **SECTION 2.** This act applies only to Isothermal Community College.

15 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to
16 appointments to terms beginning on or after July 1, 2015.