

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL 687  
Committee Substitute Favorable 4/26/19**

Short Title: Encourage Atty CLE Exempt for NCGA Employees. (Public)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR COUNCIL TO REVISE  
2 ITS RULES TO CREATE AN EXEMPTION FROM NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR  
3 CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR FULL-TIME  
4 EMPLOYEES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY.  
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6 Whereas, licensed attorneys who are full-time employees of the North Carolina  
7 General Assembly draft the laws of this State, regularly conducting extensive legal research upon  
8 a variety of legal topics; and

9 Whereas, licensed attorneys who are full-time judicial law clerks serving in this State  
10 receive an exemption from continuing legal education requirements for legal research and writing  
11 conducted on behalf of the judicial branch; and

12 Whereas, licensed attorneys who are full-time professors of law receive an exemption  
13 from continuing legal education requirements for legal research, writing, and study; and

14 Whereas, licensed attorneys who are members of the North Carolina General  
15 Assembly, who collaborate with licensed attorneys who are full-time employees of the North  
16 Carolina General Assembly in order to complete the work of this State's legislative branch,  
17 receive an exemption from continuing legal education requirements; Now, therefore,  
18 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

19 **SECTION 1.** It is the recommendation of the General Assembly that the North  
20 Carolina State Bar Council exempt full-time employees of the North Carolina General Assembly  
21 who are licensed attorneys from all continuing legal education requirements. Therefore, the  
22 General Assembly encourages the North Carolina State Bar Council to adopt a rule to provide  
23 that full-time employees of the North Carolina General Assembly who are licensed attorneys are  
24 exempt from all continuing legal education requirements.

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



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