

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2025**

**SESSION LAW 2026-10**  
**HOUSE BILL 1237**

AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS.

Whereas, G.S. 120-121 authorizes the General Assembly to make certain appointments to public offices upon the recommendations of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives have made recommendations and technical corrections; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**PART I. PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

**SECTION 1.1.** Joshua Turner of Lee County is appointed to the Centennial Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2027, to fill the unexpired term of Wendell Murphy.

**SECTION 1.2.** Ellen Sheppard of Mecklenburg County is appointed to the North Carolina State Board of Proprietary Schools for a term expiring December 31, 2026, to fill the unexpired term of Victor Riley.

**SECTION 1.3.** Harold "Dale" Willetts of Brunswick County is appointed to the North Carolina Addiction Specialists Professional Practice Board for a term expiring June 30, 2028, to fill the unexpired term of Stephanie Robinson.

**SECTION 1.4.** John White of Guilford County is appointed to the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2027, to fill the unexpired term of Mark Copeland.

**SECTION 1.5.** Victoria Hedgecock of Randolph County is appointed to the North Carolina Interpreters and Transliterators Licensing Board for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.6.** Dr. Brent Scarlett of Randolph County is appointed to the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board for a term expiring June 30, 2031.

**SECTION 1.7.** Walker B. Ferguson of Buncombe County is reappointed to the North Carolina Board for the Licensing of Soil Scientists for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.8.** George T. Ammons of Scotland County is reappointed to the Well Contractors Certification Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.9.** William A. Yow of Guilford County is reappointed to the Well Contractors Certification Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.10.** Krista Hurlbut of Wake County is appointed to the North Carolina Child Care Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

**SECTION 1.11.** Hope B. Haywood of Randolph County is appointed to the North Carolina Child Care Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

**SECTION 1.12.** Jennifer F. Jordan of Wayne County is reappointed to the North Carolina Institute of Medicine Board of Directors for a term expiring December 31, 2030.



**SECTION 1.13.** James Jerome Cook of Forsyth County is reappointed to the North Carolina Ports Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

**SECTION 1.14.** Alexandra Smith of New Hanover County is appointed to the North Carolina Dispute Resolution Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.15.** Michael J. Slate of Brunswick County is reappointed to the North Carolina Code Officials Qualification Board for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.16.** Harlen M. Summey of Randolph County is reappointed to the North Carolina Code Officials Qualification Board for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.17.** H. Burns Blackwell of Guilford County is reappointed to the Structural Pest Control Committee for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.18.** Channing R. Jones of Robeson County is reappointed to the North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission for a term expiring September 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.19.** Aaron K. Thomas of Robeson County is reappointed to the North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission for a term expiring September 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.20.** William P. Aceto of Watauga County is reappointed to the North Carolina Real Estate Commission for a term expiring July 31, 2029.

**SECTION 1.21.** Heath R. Jenkins of Lincoln County is reappointed to the Rural Infrastructure Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.22.** George R. Taylor of Bladen County is reappointed to the Rural Infrastructure Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.23.** Abena K. Jones-Boone of Wake County is reappointed to the North Carolina Board of Recreational Therapy Licensure for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.24.** Christopher Dobbins of Cleveland County is appointed to the North Carolina On-Site Wastewater Contractors and Inspectors Certification Board for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.25.** Reverend Dr. Pierre Crawford of Gaston County is reappointed to the North Carolina African American Heritage Commission for a term expiring September 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.26.** Rick L. Singleton of Avery County is appointed to the North Carolina Mining Commission for a term expiring December 31, 2030.

**SECTION 1.27.** Kevin Neil Lewis of Nash County is reappointed to the State Ethics Commission for a term expiring December 31, 2030.

**SECTION 1.28.** Daniel A. Ward of Mecklenburg County is reappointed to the North Carolina Investment Authority Board of Directors for a term expiring June 30, 2032.

**SECTION 1.29.** David B. Sutphin of Johnston County is reappointed to the North Carolina Board of Funeral Service for a term expiring December 31, 2029.

**SECTION 1.30.** Julie Kennedy of Chatham County is appointed to the North Carolina Board of Dietetics and Nutrition for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.31.** Samuel Watts of Wake County is appointed to the Board of Trustees of the State Health Plan for Teachers and State Employees for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

**SECTION 1.32.** Sherry Heuser of Wake County is reappointed to the North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., Board of Directors for a term expiring December 31, 2029.

**SECTION 1.33.** Dr. Sean R. Tikun of Durham County is reappointed to the Governor Morehead School for the Blind Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.34.** Robert S. Boyette of Wilson County is reappointed to the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.35.** Yvonne M. White of Burke County is reappointed to the North Carolina School for the Deaf Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.36.** Daniel Tingen of Wake County is reappointed to the North Carolina Residential Code Council for a term beginning January 1, 2027, and expiring December 31, 2032.

**SECTION 1.37.** Patrick Molamphy of Moore County is reappointed to the North Carolina Board of Transportation for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.38.** Roger Kumpf of Buncombe County is appointed to the Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.39.** Brent Hood of Bladen County is reappointed to the Bladen Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.40.** Cher Silvius of Henderson County is appointed to the Blue Ridge Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.41.** C. Chase Keller of Caldwell County is reappointed to the Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.42.** Dr. Marc Sosne of New Hanover County is reappointed to the Cape Fear Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.43.** Mark K. Hilton of Catawba County is appointed to the Catawba Valley Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.44.** Sam Shumate of Lee County is appointed to the Central Carolina Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.45.** Anthony L. Downs of Davidson County is appointed to the Davidson-Davie County Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.46.** David Williford of Cumberland County is appointed to the Fayetteville Technical Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.47.** Elizabeth Broyhill of Forsyth County is appointed to the Forsyth Technical Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.48.** Brian King of Rutherford County is appointed to the Isothermal Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.49.** Anita Powers of Duplin County is reappointed to the James Sprunt Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.50.** Lyn T. Austin of Johnston County is reappointed to the Johnston Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.51.** Rodney Smith of Lenior County is appointed to the Lenoir Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.52.** Robert Harris of Montgomery County is reappointed to the Montgomery Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.53.** George "Thomas" Joyner of Nash County is appointed to the Nash Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.54.** Neal Driver of Pitt County is reappointed to the Pitt Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.55.** Dennis Mabe of Randolph County is reappointed to the Randolph Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.56.** William Stewart Thomas of Scotland County is appointed to the Richmond Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.57.** Kyle Chavis of Robeson County is reappointed to the Robeson Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.58.** Myla Barnhardt of Rockingham County is reappointed to the Rockingham Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.59.** Vanessa Miles of Rowan County is appointed to the Rowan-Cabarrus Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.60.** Dr. Paul Viser of Sampson County is reappointed to the Sampson Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.61.** Timothy G. Bledsoe of Surry County is appointed to the Surry Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.62.** Mike Stevenson of Cherokee County is reappointed to the Tri-County Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.63.** Elaine Trujillo of Vance County is reappointed to the Vance-Granville Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.64.** Larry D. Stone of Wilkes County is appointed to the Wilkes Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.65.** David R. Swinney of Perquimans County is appointed to the North Carolina Board for the Licensing of Soil Scientists for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 1.66.** Jeanette K. Doran of Wake County is reappointed to the Rules Review Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

**SECTION 1.67.** John S. Hahn of Wake County is reappointed to the Rules Review Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

**SECTION 1.68.** Jeffrey T. Hyde of Guilford County is reappointed to the Rules Review Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

**SECTION 1.69.** Jeffrey Hughes of Durham County is appointed to the North Carolina State Water Infrastructure Authority for a term expiring July 1, 2028.

**SECTION 1.70.** Mary W. Tiger of Chatham County is appointed to the North Carolina State Water Infrastructure Authority for a term expiring July 1, 2028.

**SECTION 1.71.** Bryan E. Parker of Johnston County is appointed to the North Carolina Housing Partnership for a term expiring August 31, 2029.

**SECTION 1.72.** Kasey E. Ginsberg of Wake County is reappointed to the North Carolina Housing Partnership for a term expiring August 31, 2029.

**SECTION 1.73.** James Hendrick Pressly of Iredell County is reappointed to the North Carolina Housing Partnership for a term expiring August 31, 2029.

**SECTION 1.74.** Thomas E. Smith of Wake County is reappointed to the North Carolina Housing Partnership for a term expiring August 31, 2029.

**SECTION 1.75.** Owen Thomas of Robeson County is reappointed to the North Carolina Housing Partnership for a term expiring August 31, 2029.

**SECTION 1.76.** Joseph Hollowell, Jr., of Chowan County is appointed to the North Carolina Coastal Resources Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 1.77.** Bryan Farris of Gaston County is appointed to the Gaston College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

## **PART II. SPEAKER'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

**SECTION 2.1.** Kenneth S. "Scott" Page of Haywood County is appointed to the Haywood Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2027, to fill the unexpired term of W. Graham Bradley.

**SECTION 2.2.** Jennifer L. Robinson of McDowell County is appointed to the Western Piedmont Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2028, to fill the unexpired term of Jonathan M. Mercer.

**SECTION 2.3.** Dr. Robert T. Morgan of Person County is appointed to the Piedmont Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2028, to fill the unexpired term of Amy F. Edge.

**SECTION 2.4.** Bill Slagle of Mitchell County is appointed to the Mayland Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 2.5.** Larry Westmoreland of Cherokee County is appointed to the Tri-County Community College Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2029, to fill the unexpired term of Lumpy Lampert.

**SECTION 2.6.** Dr. Emily J. Catalano of Pitt County is appointed to the North Carolina Brain Injury Council for a term expiring September 30, 2027, to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Edward Jauch.

**SECTION 2.7.** Mary "Kitty" E. Barringer of Guilford County is appointed to the North Carolina Brain Injury Council for a term expiring September 30, 2027, to fill the unexpired term of John L. Dickerhoff.

**SECTION 2.8.** The Honorable Tammi Z. Thurm of Guilford County is appointed to the State Building Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028, to fill the unexpired term of The Honorable Myron Yoder.

**SECTION 2.9.** Tonda R. Phillips of Surry County is appointed to the Domestic Violence Commission for a term expiring August 31, 2027, to fill the unexpired term of Saira Estrada.

**SECTION 2.10.** Jennifer M. Warwick of New Hanover County is appointed to the North Carolina Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy for a term expiring September 30, 2027, to fill the unexpired term of Laura L. Ford.

**SECTION 2.11.** Dr. Kevin O'Neil of New Hanover County is appointed to the North Carolina Respiratory Care Board for a term expiring October 31, 2027, to fill the unexpired term of Dr. James F. Davidson.

**SECTION 2.12.** Marcella Coley of Watauga County and Jack C. "Cal" Morgan of New Hanover County are reappointed to the North Carolina Appraisal Board for terms expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 2.13.** Brooke H. King of Wayne County and Christy L. Fyle of Wilson County are reappointed to the North Carolina Child Care Commission for terms expiring June 30, 2028.

**SECTION 2.14.** Jill I. Homan of Johnston County is reappointed to the Economic Investment Committee for a term beginning December 1, 2026, and expiring November 30, 2028.

**SECTION 2.15.** Kevin W. Earp of Johnston County is reappointed to the Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 2.16.** Sakiran Kolavennu of Wake County is reappointed to the Information Technology Strategy Board for a term beginning January 1, 2027, and expiring December 31, 2028.

**SECTION 2.17.** Jana Chellaperumal of Wake County is appointed to the Information Technology Strategy Board for a term beginning January 1, 2027, and expiring December 31, 2028.

**SECTION 2.18.** The Honorable Nelson Dollar of Wake County is reappointed to the North Carolina Medical Board for a term beginning October 1, 2026, and expiring September 30, 2029.

**SECTION 2.19.** Ketan D. Patel of Wake County is appointed to the Commission for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 2.20.** James C. Lister of New Hanover County is reappointed to the North Carolina Oil and Gas Commission for a term beginning January 1, 2027, and expiring December 31, 2030.

**SECTION 2.21.** David R. Swinney of Pasquotank County is reappointed to the North Carolina On-Site Wastewater Contractors and Inspectors Certification Board for a term expiring July 1, 2029.

**SECTION 2.22.** James A. Galati of Wake County is reappointed to the State Board of Proprietary Schools for a term beginning January 1, 2027, and expiring December 31, 2032.

**SECTION 2.23.** Claire R. Salisbury of Orange County is reappointed to the North Carolina Recreational Therapy Licensure Board for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

**SECTION 2.24.** E. Landon Weaver of Pitt County is appointed to the Residential Code Council for a term beginning January 1, 2027, and expiring December 31, 2032.

**SECTION 2.25.** Sandra K. Turner of Burke County is reappointed to the North Carolina School for the Deaf Board of Trustees for a term expiring June 30, 2030.

**SECTION 2.26.** Diane C. Riddle of Buncombe County is appointed to the North Carolina Locksmith Licensing Board for a term beginning January 1, 2027, and expiring December 31, 2029.

### **PART III. CORRECTIONS**

**SECTION 3.1.** Section 2.3 of S.L. 2025-90 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 2.3.** David Longo of Mecklenburg County is appointed to the Metropolitan Public Transportation Authority for a term of ~~two~~four years to commence upon approval by the Secretary of State of the articles of incorporation of the Metropolitan Public Transportation Authority."

**SECTION 3.2.** Part II of S.L. 2025-1 reads as rewritten:

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"**SECTION 2.5.** Seth Ellington of Wake County is appointed to the Building Code Council for a term expiring January 1, ~~2027~~2029."

"**SECTION 2.6.** Paul Boney of New Hanover County is appointed to the Building Code Council for a term expiring January 1, ~~2029~~2031."

"**SECTION 2.7.** Mark Smith of Guilford County is appointed to the Building Code Council for a term expiring January 1, ~~2031~~2027."

### **PART IV. EFFECTIVE DATE**

**SECTION 4.1.** This act is effective when it becomes law. Unless otherwise provided, terms begin upon the effective date of this act.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2026.

s/ Rachel Hunt  
President of the Senate

s/ Howard Penny, Jr.  
Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives