## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## **SESSION 1989**

H 1 **HOUSE BILL 1272** Short Title: Legislative Intern Program Changed. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Nesbitt; N. Crawford and Greenwood. Referred to: Rules April 12, 1989 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE THE LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. G.S. 120-96 reads as rewritten: "§ 120-56. Legislative Intern Program Council created. There is hereby created the Legislative Intern Program Council which shall consist of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the chairman a representative, chosen by the Chancellor, of the <del>department of politics-department of political science or the department of politics at:</del> North Carolina State University; (1) (2) Western Carolina University; The University of North Carolina at Asheville; (3) The University of North Carolina at Charlotte; **(4)** East Carolina University; (5) The University of North Carolina at Wilmington; and **(6)** Elizabeth City State University. (7) Such Council shall establish a program for legislative interns for both houses of the General Assembly." Sec. 2. G.S. 120-57 reads as rewritten: "§ 120-57. Legislative Intern Program Council to promulgate a plan for the use of legislative interns. The Legislative Intern Program Council is hereby empowered and is directed to shall promulgate for each session of the General Assembly a plan providing for the

selection, tenure, duties and compensation of legislative interns. Interns shall be selected

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- from institutions of higher education (four-year colleges and universities) within North Carolina, including but not limited to all units of the university system. The selection shall be based upon guidelines set forth by the Legislative Intern Program Council; these guidelines shall permit the proper consideration of each applicant. The Council shall meet at least twice per year on call of the Legislative Administrative Officer, and shall adopt its guidelines for each regular session no later than September 1 of each even-numbered year.
  - (b) The Council shall nominate persons to be interns. The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall jointly appoint the interns.
- 11 (c) The Council shall promote the internship program. Such promotion program
  12 may include:
- 13 (1) Members of the General Assembly visiting classes or club meetings at institutions of higher education;
  - (2) <u>Directly contacting top students at targeted schools in certain regions</u> to encourage their application;
  - (3) Working with the North Carolina Student Legislature; and
  - (4) <u>Inviting students from the western and eastern regions of the State to a day at the General Assembly.</u>"
- Sec. 2. This act shall become effective January 1, 1990.

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