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SENATE DRS15173-LR-107A (03/15)

Short Title: Establish "Hero Crew" Jobs for Clean Roads. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Allran (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH "HERO CREWS" TO COMBAT THE INCREASE IN
3 ROADSIDE LITTER AND DEBRIS PLAGUING THE STATE.

4 Whereas, North Carolina is a scenic State from the mountains to the coast, with over
5 79,000 miles of roads and highways comprising the largest system of state-maintained roads in
6 the nation; and

7 Whereas, North Carolinians take pride in their State; and

8 Whereas, an ever-mounting increase in roadside litter and debris is spoiling the
9 State's scenic beauty and threatens the State's image and prosperity; and

10 Whereas, many citizens voluntarily participate in roadside cleanup efforts, and they
11 should be commended for that service; and

12 Whereas, there is an unemployment crisis in this State, with many citizens in need
13 of work; and

14 Whereas, it is in the best interest of the State to maintain clean and safe roads and
15 highways as well as to help provide employment opportunities; and

16 Whereas, the creation of "Hero Crews" employed to combat roadside litter will be a
17 step toward both cleaner roads and more employment; and

18 Whereas, the Department of Transportation has funding for the purpose of keeping
19 State roads and highways safe which can be used for the purpose of funding the Hero Crews;
20 and

21 Whereas, because the Hero Crew employees will be instrumental in preserving the
22 scenic beauty of North Carolina, that name is only fitting; Now, therefore,
23 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

24 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Transportation shall establish the "Hero Crew"
25 jobs program from available funds. The purpose of the Hero Crew program is to provide for the
26 cleanup, conservation, and safety of the State's roadways. Hero Crew members shall be
27 temporary State employees compensated at rates to be determined by the Secretary of the
28 Department of Transportation.

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



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