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SENATE BILL 719

Short Title: Student Organizations/Rights & Recognition. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Soucek (Primary Sponsor); Barefoot, Daniel, Meredith, Newton, and Rabin.

Referred to: Education/Higher Education.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AT CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS MAY DETERMINE THE ORGANIZATION'S CORE FUNCTIONS AND RESOLVE ANY DISPUTES OF THE ORGANIZATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Part 3 of Article 1 of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 116-40.12. Student organizations; rights and recognition.

(a) To the extent allowed by State and federal law, a student organization may determine that ordering the organization's internal affairs, selecting the organization's leaders, defining the organization's doctrines, and resolving the organization's disputes are in furtherance of the organization's mission and that only persons committed to that mission should conduct such activities.

(b) No constituent institution that has granted recognition of and access to any student organization or group shall discriminate against any such student organization or group that exercises its rights pursuant to subsection (a) of this section."

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

