

**§ 77-112. Powers and duties.**

(a) The authority granted to each commission shall be advisory in nature and in no way shall either commission be construed to have any regulatory authority.

(b) Neither commission shall have any authority to obligate or otherwise bind the State of North Carolina, the State of South Carolina, or any agency or subdivision of either state.

(c) To achieve its purposes, each commission shall have all of the following powers and duties:

- (1) To develop rules and procedures for the conduct of its business or as may be necessary to perform its duties and carry out its objectives including, but not limited to, calling meetings and establishing voting procedures. Rules and procedures developed pursuant to this item shall be effective upon an affirmative vote by a majority of the commission members.
- (2) To establish standing and ad hoc committees, which shall be constituted in a manner to ensure a balance between recognized interests and states. The commissions shall determine the purpose of each standing or ad hoc committee.
- (3) To seek, apply for, accept, and expend gifts, grants, donations, services, and other aid from public or private sources. The commissions may accept or expend funds only after an affirmative vote by a majority of the members of the commissions.
- (4) To exercise the powers of a body corporate, including the power to sue and be sued, and adopt and use a common seal and alter the same.
- (5) To enter into contracts and execute all instruments necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of the commissions.
- (6) To designate a fiscal agent.
- (7) To perform any lawful acts necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of the commissions. (2004-83, s. 1.)