

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 745

Short Title: State Pay Election Legal Notices.

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Sponsors: Representative Ives.

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Referred to: State Government, if favorable, Appropriations.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE SHALL PAY THE COST OF ANY  
2 REQUIRED LEGAL ADVERTISING IT REQUIRES COUNTIES TO PLACE IN  
3 CONNECTION WITH ANY REFERENDUM PLACED ON THE BALLOT BY  
4 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.  
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. G.S. 163-33(8) reads as rewritten:

8 "(8) To provide for the issuance of all notices, advertisements, and  
9 publications concerning elections required by law. If the election is on a  
10 State bond issue, an amendment to the Constitution, or approval of an  
11 act submitted to the voters of the State, the State Board of Elections  
12 shall reimburse the county boards of elections for their reasonable  
13 additional costs in placing such notices, advertisements, and  
14 publications. In addition, the county board of elections shall give notice  
15 at least 20 days prior to the date on which the registration books or  
16 records are closed that there will be a primary, general or special  
17 election, the date on which it will be held, and the hours the voting  
18 places will be open for voting in that election. The notice also shall  
19 describe the nature and type of election, and the issues, if any, to be  
20 submitted to the voters at that election. Notice shall be given by

1 advertisement at least once weekly during the 20-day period in a  
2 newspaper having general circulation in the county and by posting a  
3 copy of the notice at the courthouse door. Notice may additionally be  
4 made on a radio or television station or both, but such notice shall be in  
5 addition to the newspaper and other required notice. This subdivision  
6 shall not apply in the case of bond elections called under the provisions  
7 of Chapter 159."

8 Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.