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SENATE BILL 824*

Short Title: Membership/Building Code Council.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Shaw of Cumberland; and Lucas.

Referred to: Commerce.

April 14, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ADD A DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE
MEMBERSHIP OF THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 143-136(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Creation; Membership; Terms. – There is hereby created a Building Code Council, which shall be composed of ~~15~~16 members appointed by the Governor, consisting of one registered architect, one licensed general contractor, one registered architect or licensed general contractor specializing in residential design or construction, one registered engineer practicing structural engineering, one registered engineer practicing mechanical engineering, one registered engineer practicing electrical engineering, one licensed plumbing and heating contractor, one municipal or county building inspector, one licensed liquid petroleum gas dealer/contractor involved in the design of natural and liquid petroleum gas systems who has expertise and experience in natural and liquid petroleum gas piping, venting and appliances, a representative of the public who is not a member of the building construction industry, a licensed electrical contractor, a registered engineer on the engineering staff of a State agency charged with approval of plans of State-owned buildings, a municipal elected official or city manager, a county commissioner or county manager, a representative of a downtown development group or association, and an active member of the North Carolina fire service with

1 expertise in fire safety. In selecting the municipal and county members, preference should
2 be given to members who qualify as either a registered architect, registered engineer, or
3 licensed general contractor. Of the members initially appointed by the Governor, three
4 shall serve for terms of two years each, three shall serve for terms of four years each, and
5 three shall serve for terms of six years each. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for
6 terms of six years. The Governor may remove appointive members at any time. Neither
7 the architect nor any of the above named engineers shall be engaged in the manufacture,
8 promotion or sale of any building material, and any member who shall, during his term,
9 cease to meet the qualifications for original appointment (through ceasing to be a
10 practicing member of the profession indicated or otherwise) shall thereby forfeit his
11 membership on the Council. In making new appointments or filling vacancies, the
12 Governor shall ensure that minorities and women are represented on the Council.

13 The Governor may make appointments to fill the unexpired portions of any terms
14 vacated by reason of death, resignation, or removal from office. In making such
15 appointment, he shall preserve the composition of the Council required above."

16 Section 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1997.