

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 501

Short Title: Justice/Judge May Continue Term Past Age 72. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Morey and John (Primary Sponsors).

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Referred to: Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

March 28, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW JUSTICES AND JUDGES ELECTED TO OFFICE PRIOR TO THE
JUSTICE OR JUDGE'S SEVENTY-SECOND BIRTHDAY TO CONTINUE IN THE
OFFICE PAST THE MANDATORY JUDICIAL RETIREMENT AGE OF
SEVENTY-TWO UNTIL JANUARY 1 OF THE YEAR FOLLOWING THE NEXT
ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 7A-4.20 reads as rewritten:

"§ 7A-4.20. Age limit for service as justice or judge: exception.

~~No~~ When a justice or judge of the General Court of Justice is elected to office prior to the justice or judge's seventy-second birthday, the justice or judge may continue only serve in office beyond the last day of the month in which he attains his seventy-second birthday, justice or judge's seventy-second birthday until January 1 of the year following the next election for members of the General Assembly, but justices and judges so retired may be recalled for periods of temporary service as provided in Subchapters II and III of this chapter."

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

