

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**SENATE RESOLUTION 734
Adopted 8/17/21**

Sponsors: Senator Rabon (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

August 17, 2021

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR ELECTING
2 MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

3 Be it resolved by the Senate:

4 **SECTION 1.** The following procedures for nominating and electing members of the
5 State Board of Community Colleges are adopted:

6 **I. COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES.**

7 1. It is the duty of the Senate Committee on Education/Higher Education
8 (hereinafter referred to as the "Senate Committee") to choose nominees for membership on the
9 State Board of Community Colleges for two terms to be filled by the Senate which expire June
10 30, 2027.

11 2. The Senate Committee shall receive nominations for election to the State
12 Board of Community Colleges from Wednesday, August 18, 2021, through Thursday, August
13 19, 2021. In 2021, the total number of positions available for election by the Senate is two, and
14 each position is for a term to expire June 30, 2027. A Senator may propose nominees only for
15 the openings available for election by the Senate. In order for a person to have standing to be
16 considered as a nominee by the Senate Committee, that person must be formally nominated by a
17 member of the Senate. Only a written nomination on a form provided by the Chair of the Senate
18 Committee for that purpose and received in the Office of the Senate Principal Clerk on or after
19 Wednesday, August 18, 2021, and no later than 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 19, 2021, shall
20 constitute a formal nomination of an individual. Delivery to the Office of the Senate Principal
21 Clerk of a nomination form by facsimile transmission or email transmission shall not constitute
22 a formal nomination of an individual. An individual is not eligible for nomination by a member
23 of the Senate if he or she was nominated for election to the State Board of Community Colleges
24 by a member of the House of Representatives during the 2021 Session.

25 3. In accordance with G.S. 115D-2.2(c), as enacted by S.L. 2021-90, every
26 person who has been formally nominated shall file a completed North Carolina State Ethics
27 Statement of Economic Interest as required by law no later than 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, August
28 19, 2021. The Statement of Economic Interest must clearly state that the person has been
29 nominated for the State Board of Community Colleges.

30 4. After the close of the nomination period on Thursday, August 19, 2021, the
31 Senate Committee shall list all proposed nominees. The Senate Committee shall screen the
32 nominees as to their qualifications and background and may interview each one to make sure that
33 suitable individuals are nominated. The Senate Committee shall ascertain that each nominee is
34 willing and able to serve and has no statutory disability. On completion of the screening process,
35 the Senate Committee shall conduct a vote to ensure that the slate of legally qualified nominees
36 lists no more than twice the number of nominees for the total seats open.



1 entertain a motion for the simultaneous election of those persons by the Senate
2 to the indicated positions and for the indicated terms. The vote shall then be
3 called electronically. If a majority of those voting shall vote "aye" and the vote
4 is orally confirmed, those two persons named in the motion shall be declared
5 to have been elected to the State Board of Community Colleges.

6 (g) The results of the election in the Senate shall then be sent by Special
7 Messenger to the House of Representatives.

8 **III. NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS.**

9 When the election process is complete, the Chair of the Senate Committee shall notify
10 the State Board of Community Colleges of the names of the persons elected by the Senate and of
11 the term for which each person was elected.

12 **SECTION 2.** As used in this resolution, the term "Chair" means the Chair of the
13 Senate Committee on Education/Higher Education.

14 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.