



HOUSE BILL 390: Beaufort Co. CC/Washington Co

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of the bill as it was
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SUMMARY: House Bill 390 would (1) authorize the election of an additional member to the Board of Trustees of Beaufort County Community College (BCCC) by each board of county commissioners within the administrative area, and (2) require the State Board of Community Colleges to include all of Washington County in the service area of BCCC.

The PCS would clarify the method of appointment of trustees by county commissioners to the BCCC.

CURRENT LAW: G.S. 115D-12 establishes the local boards of trustees for community colleges. There are thirteen members on each board, including the president of the student body as an ex officio member. The remaining twelve members are appointed in groups of 4 respectively by the following entities:

- 1) The board(s) of education of the local school administrative unit(s) located in the administrative area of the institution. If there is more than one board, the appointment is made jointly.
- 2) The board(s) of commissioners of the county or counties in the administrative area of the institution. If there is more than one board, the appointment is made jointly. If a satellite campus has been established in a county, if the board of trustees agrees, the county commissioners where the satellite campus is located may elect an additional 2 members.
- 3) The Governor.

The State Board of Community Colleges establishes service areas to community colleges for providing education and training services to eliminate duplication of services by different colleges in the same area. Service areas do not regulate or establish attendance areas or administrative areas. Currently, the service area for BCCC is Beaufort, Hyde, Tyrell, and all courses to Washington County except for adult basic education, adult high school/GED, fire training and emergency medical training and in-plant training, which are offered by Martin Community College.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 390 would make the following changes:

Section 1: Would authorize the board of county commissioners for the county where the main campus for BCCC is located (Beaufort County) to appoint 4 members to the board of trustees, and allow the board of trustees to authorize another board of county commissioners in the administrative area to appoint one trustee.

Section 2: Would require the State Board of Community Colleges to include Washington County fully in the service area of BCCC.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Section 2 would become effective July 1, 2015. The remainder of the act would become effective when it becomes law.

