



HOUSE BILL 558: Reserve & Nat. Guard/Military Affairs Comm

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SUMMARY: *The Proposed Committee Substitute for House Bill 558 would add two voting members to the North Carolina Military Affairs Commission to be appointed by the Governor. One of the new members would have to be a current or retired member of the North Carolina National Guard and the other one would have to be a current or retired member of one of a reserve component of the United States Armed Forces. The PCS makes technical corrections to the bill.*

CURRENT LAW: The North Carolina Military Affairs Commission is charged with providing "advice, counsel, and recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly, the Secretary of Commerce, and other State agencies on initiatives, programs, and legislation that will continue and increase the role that North Carolina's military installations, the National Guard, and Reserves play in America's defense strategy and the economic health and vitality of the State." G.S. 127C-1(b).

Of the 21 voting members of the Commission, 11 are appointed by the Governor, five by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and five by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

Currently, none of the Commission's voting members has to be a current or retired member of the North Carolina National Guard or a current or retired member of a reserve component of the Air Force, Army, Navy or Marines. G.S. 127C-2(b).

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 558 would amend G.S. 127C-2 by increasing from 11 to 13 the number of voting members appointed by the Governor, thereby increasing the number of the Commission's voting members to 23.

One of the additional appointees would have to be a current or retired member of the North Carolina National Guard and the other one would have to be a current or retired member of a reserve component of the Air Force, Army, Navy or Marines.

Both of the additional appointees would also have to be residents of North Carolina with a long-term connection to the State who are either involved in a military affairs organization or involved in military issues through civic, commercial, or governmental relationships.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act is effective when it becomes law.

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