



# SENATE RESOLUTION 245: Amend Senate UNC BOG Election.

2017-2018 General Assembly

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<b>Committee:</b>	Senate Select Committee on Nominations	<b>Date:</b>	March 14, 2017
<b>Introduced by:</b>	Sen. Rabon	<b>Prepared by:</b>	Drupti Chauhan
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**OVERVIEW:** *As of July 1, 2017, the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina will have 28 elected members serving staggered four year terms. This number will reduce to 24 elected members as of July 1, 2019. Beginning in 2017, during each odd numbered year, the General Assembly elects twelve individuals to the Board - six by the House and six by the Senate. Each chamber separately prepares its own Resolution governing its nomination and election procedure. All of the seats are at-large seats.*

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Resolution 245 would amend the procedure set out in Senate Resolution 134 for nominating and electing members of the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina by providing for an additional nomination period from March 14, 2017, to March 16, 2017.

1. The Senate Select Committee on Nominations (Committee) is still responsible for conducting the nomination and election process for the Senate nominees for the UNC Board of Governors.
2. The additional nomination period is March 14, 2017 through March 16, 2017. Only nominations submitted on a form provided by the Committee Co-Chairs and received by 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 16, 2017 in the Office of the Senate Principal Clerk are eligible for consideration. Facsimile and email transmissions of nominations will not be considered. Any person who has already been formally nominated as a candidate by a member of the Senate and had filed a nomination form with the Senate Principal Clerk's Office by 5 P.M. on Friday, March 10, 2017, is not required to file another nomination form.
3. All persons who have been formally nominated must file a completed Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) by 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 16, 2017. Any person who has formally been nominated and had filed an SEI by 5:00 P.M. on Friday, March 10, 2017, is not required to file another SEI.
4. The following persons are **not** eligible to serve on the UNC Board of Governors:
  - Members of the General Assembly
  - Officers or employees of the State
  - Officers or employees of The University of North Carolina
  - Officers or employees of the constituent institutions

The **spouses** of the following individuals are **not** eligible to serve on the UNC Board of Governors:

- Members of the General Assembly
- Officers or employees of The University of North Carolina
- Officers or employees of the constituent institutions

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5. Any person who was nominated to the Board of Governors by the House during the 2017 Session or for a vacancy for a partial term by a Senate member during the 2017 Session is not eligible to be nominated by a Senate member.
6. After March 16, 2017, the Committee shall consider the nominees to determine whether each nominee is willing and able to serve and his or her statutory suitability. The Committee will then conduct a vote to make sure that the slate of legally qualified nominees lists no more than 12 nominees. After the Committee finishes voting, a ballot listing the names of the nominees selected by the Committee must be prepared for the vote in full Senate.
7. The Senate must hold its election no later than the beginning of the daily session on Wednesday, March 29, 2017. The Co-Chairs of the Committee will explain the voting procedure set out in the Resolution. No floor nominations will be accepted.
8. In order to be elected, a nominee must receive the votes of a majority of the members of the Senate present and voting. Any ballot that is not marked for as many nominees as there are positions to be filled will be deemed void. In order to have the ballot be counted, each Senator must sign the ballot he or she casts.
9. The Committee Co-Chairs are responsible for canvassing the ballots and declaring the results.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The Resolution is effective upon adoption.