

SENATE BILL 681:

Agency Policy Directives/2019-2020, Sec. 12.5: Office of Recovery and Resiliency Temporary Positions Adjustment

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OVERVIEW: Section 12.5 of S.L. 2020-78 amends Section 5.7(a) of S.L. 2018-136, and allows the Office of Recovery and Resiliency to hire more than 30 new three-year time-limited positions supported by federal grant administrative funding to provide general disaster recovery coordination, citizen outreach, and other services.

This section became effective on July 1, 2020.

CURRENT LAW: Section 5.7(a) of S.L. 2018-136 (2018 Hurricane Florence Disaster Recovery Act) created the Office of Recovery and Resiliency (Office) within the Department of Public Safety to manage the multi-year recovery and resiliency projects and administer funds for disaster recovery efforts. The provision allows for 15 existing positions in the Division of Emergency Management to be reassigned to the Office and allows hiring up to 30 new three-year, time-limited positions that are supported by federal grant administrative funding to manage federal grants received.

BILL ANALYSIS: Section 12.5 of S.L. 2020-78 removes the cap set forth in Section 5.7(a) of S.L. 2018-136, and allows the Office to hire more than the 30 three-year, time-limited positions provided for when the Office was created that are supported by federal grant administrative funding.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This section became effective on July 1, 2020.

