



# HOUSE BILL 480: Designate State Balloon Rally.

2021-2022 General Assembly

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| <b>Committee:</b>     | House State Government. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House | <b>Date:</b>        | April 21, 2021       |
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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 480 would adopt the Carolina BalloonFest as the official balloon rally.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Chapter 145 of the General Statutes adopts various State festivals including:

- G.S. 145-16. State Watermelon Festivals.
- G.S. 145-19. State International Festival.
- G.S. 145-27. State Collard Festival.
- G.S. 145-28. State food festival.
- G.S. 145-30. State potato festival.
- G.S. 145-33. State Shad Festival; Blue Monday Shad Fry.
- G.S. 145-34. State herring festival.
- G.S. 145-37. State Shrimp Festival.
- G.S. 145-39. State spring and fall livermush festivals.
- G.S. 145-40. State mullet festival.
- G.S. 145-47. State peanut festival.
- G.S. 145-50. North Carolina Outdoor Festival.
- G.S. 145-51. State Woolly Worm Festival.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 480 would adopt the Carolina BalloonFest as the official balloon rally of North Carolina.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act would be effective when it becomes law.

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