



# SENATE BILL 18: Stanly Cty Airport Authority/Members & Leases.

2023-2024 General Assembly

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<b>Committee:</b>	House Local Government. If favorable, re- refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	<b>Date:</b>	May 16, 2023
<b>Introduced by:</b>	Sen. Ford	<b>Prepared by:</b>	Billy Godwin Anna Parsons Staff Attorneys
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**OVERVIEW:** *Senate Bill 18 would increase the membership of the Stanly County Airport Authority from five to seven and would authorize the Authority to enter into contracts and leases for terms not to exceed 30 years.*

**[As introduced, this bill was identical to H12, as introduced by Rep. Sasser, which is currently in House Local Government.]**

**CURRENT LAW:** The Stanly County Airport Authority (Authority) has five members who must be residents of Stanly County and are appointed by the Stanly County Board of Commissioners. Four of the Authority members serve four-year staggered terms. The fifth member must be currently serving on the Stanly County Board of Commissioners and serves on the Authority at the pleasure of that board. The Stanly County Board of Commissioners may also appoint a Commissioner to serve as an alternate member of the Authority to attend and vote if the original Commissioner appointee is unable to attend or vote. Service on the Authority by a Stanly County Commissioner as a member or alternate is not considered dual office holding within the meaning of Article VI, Sec. 9 of the North Carolina Constitution. The Authority is authorized to enter into contracts and leases for terms not to exceed 25 years.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 18 would increase the membership of the Stanly County Airport Authority from five to seven and require that two of the Authority members must be serving as Stanly County Commissioners. The two Stanly County Commissioners would have voting authority. The bill would not impact the terms of office of the five current Authority members and would require the Stanly County Board of Commissioners to appoint the two additional members in such a way that will maintain the staggering of the terms of office. The Authority would also be authorized to enter into contracts and leases for terms not to exceed 30 years.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act would be effective when it becomes law and apply to contracts and leases entered into, amended, or renewed on or after that date.

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