



2023-2024 General Assembly

# SENATE BILL 382: Disaster Relief-3/Budget/Various Law Changes, Sec. 3C.2: Abolish the North Carolina Courts Commission

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<b>Committee:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	January 2, 2025
<b>Introduced by:</b>		<b>Prepared by:</b>	Bill Patterson Staff Attorney
<b>Analysis of:</b>	Sec. 3C.2 of S.L. 2024-57		

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**OVERVIEW:** Section 3C.2 of S.L. 2024-57 repealed Article 40A of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes, thereby abolishing the North Carolina Courts Commission.

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**BACKGROUND:** This is the second time that the North Carolina Courts Commission has been abolished.

The Courts Commission was initially created by Resolution 73 of the 1963 regular session of the General Assembly and was charged with drafting legislation necessary for the full implementation of the 1962 amendments to Article IV of the Constitution of North Carolina. The terms of its members were set to expire December 31, 1970, unless its work was sooner completed.

Effective July 1, 1969, a "permanent North Carolina Courts Commission" was established by Article 40 of Chapter 7A, enacted by Session Law 1969-910, and was charged with making continuing studies of the Judicial Department and the General Court of Justice and recommending legislation facilitating the administration of justice.

Effective July 1, 1975, the Courts Commission was abolished by Session Law 1975-956, s. 18, which repealed Article 40 of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes.

Finally, the Courts Commission was recreated upon enactment of new Article 40A of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes by Session Law 1979-1077, effective July 1, 1979. The Commission's duties under Article 40A were identical to those assigned to it under prior Article 40.

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