



2023-2024 General Assembly

SENATE BILL 582: North Carolina Farm Act of 2023, Sec. 8.1: Designate the Second Wednesday in November of Each Year as North Carolina Farmers Appreciation Day

Committee:		Date:	November 29, 2023
Introduced by:		Prepared by:	Chris Saunders
Analysis of:	Sec. 8.1 of S.L. 2023-63		Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: Section 8.1 of S.L. 2023-63 designates the second Wednesday in November of each year as North Carolina Farmers Appreciation Day, beginning in 2024.

This bill was vetoed by the Governor on June 23, 2023, and that veto was overridden by the General Assembly on June 27, 2023.

This section became effective June 27, 2023.

BILL ANALYSIS: Section 8.1 of S.L. 2023-63 designates the second Wednesday in November of each year as North Carolina Farmers Appreciation Day, beginning in 2024. This section also designates the North Carolina Grange (Grange) as the lead organization for recognition of North Carolina Farmers Appreciation Day and directs them to develop a plan to raise awareness of and promote the first annual North Carolina Farmers Appreciation Day. In developing the plan, the Grange is directed to consult with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; North Carolina Cooperative Extension, including representatives from North Carolina State University Extension and North Carolina A&T State University Extension; the University of Mt. Olive School of Agricultural and Biological Sciences; North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, Inc.; commodity groups and associations including the North Carolina Pork Council, the North Carolina Poultry Federation, and the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association; and any other organizations the Grange deems appropriate. The Grange is required to report on its plan to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources no later than June 30, 2024.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

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BACKGROUND: Several other special days are currently recognized in Chapter 103 of the General Statutes, including American Family Day, Prisoner of War Day, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Fragile X Awareness Day, Lineman Awareness Day, and Wounded Heroes Day.

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