

SENATE RESOLUTION 104: Senate BOG Elections.

2025-2026 General Assembly

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OVERVIEW: The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina has 24 elected members serving staggered four-year terms. During each odd-numbered year, the General Assembly elects twelve individuals to the Board - six by the House and six by the Senate. The Senate elects members to the Board of Governors through a nomination and election procedure adopted pursuant to a simple resolution. All of the seats are at-large seats.

BILL ANALYSIS: If adopted, SR 104 provides the following procedure:

- 1. The Senate Select Committee on Nominations (Committee) is responsible for conducting the nomination and election process for the Senate nominees for the UNC Board of Governors.
- 2. The nomination process begins on Monday, February 24, 2025, and closes on Friday, February 28, 2025. Only nominations submitted on a form provided by the Chair of the Committee and received by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 28 2025, in the Office of the Senate Principal Clerk are eligible for consideration. Facsimile and email transmissions of nominations will not be considered.
- 3. All persons who have been formally nominated must file a completed North Carolina State Ethics Commission Statement of Economic Interest with the North Carolina State Ethics Commission by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2025.
- 4. The following persons are **not** eligible to serve on the UNC Board of Governors:
 - Members of the General Assembly
 - Officers or employees of the State
 - Officers or employees of The University of North Carolina
 - Officers or employees of the constituent institutions

The spouses of the following individuals are not eligible to serve on the UNC Board of Governors:

- Members of the General Assembly
- Officers or employees of The University of North Carolina
- Officers or employees of the constituent institutions
- 5. Any person who was nominated to the Board of Governors by the House during the 2025 Session is not eligible to be nominated by a Senate member.
- 6. After February 28, 2025, the Committee shall consider the nominees to determine whether each nominee is willing and able to serve and his or her statutory suitability. The Committee will then conduct a vote to make sure that the slate of legally qualified nominees lists no more than 12

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nominees. After the Committee finishes voting, a ballot listing the names of the nominees selected by the Committee must be prepared for the vote in the full Senate.

- 7. The Senate must hold its election no later than Monday, March 24, 2025. The Chair of the Committee will explain the voting procedure set out in the Resolution. No floor nominations will be accepted.
- 8. In order to be elected, a nominee must receive the votes of a majority of the members of the Senate present and voting. Any ballot that is not marked for as many nominees as there are positions to be filled will be deemed void. In order to have the ballot be counted, each Senator must sign the ballot he or she casts.
- 9. The Chair of the Committee is responsible for canvassing the ballots and declaring the results.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The resolution is effective upon adoption.