

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL 1574**

Short Title: Extend Ethics Law to City/Co. Officials. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Allred; Coates and McGee.

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Referred to: Ethics.

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April 18, 2007

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE APPLICATION OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT  
3 ETHICS ACT TO CERTAIN COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 138A-3(30) reads as rewritten:

6 "(30) Public servants. – All of the following:

- 7 a. Constitutional officers of the State and persons elected or  
8 appointed as constitutional officers of the State prior to taking  
9 office.
- 10 b. Employees of the Office of the Governor.
- 11 c. Heads of all principal State departments, as set forth in  
12 G.S. 143B-6, who are appointed by the Governor.
- 13 d. The chief deputy and chief administrative assistant of each  
14 person designated under sub-subdivision a. or c. of this  
15 subdivision.
- 16 e. Confidential assistants and secretaries as defined in  
17 G.S. 126-5(c)(2), to persons designated under sub-subdivision  
18 a., c., or d. of this subdivision.
- 19 f. Employees in exempt positions designated in accordance with  
20 G.S. 126-5(d)(1), (2), or (2a) and confidential secretaries to  
21 these individuals.
- 22 g. Any other employees or appointees in the principal State  
23 departments as may be designated by the Governor to the extent  
24 that the designation does not conflict with the State Personnel  
25 Act.
- 26 h. Judicial employees.
- 27 i. All voting members of boards, including ex officio members  
28 and members serving by executive, legislative, or judicial  
29 branch appointment.

- 1 j. For The University of North Carolina, the voting members of  
2 the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina,  
3 the president, the vice-presidents, and the chancellors, the  
4 vice-chancellors, and voting members of the boards of trustees  
5 of the constituent institutions.
- 6 k. For the Community College System, the voting members of the  
7 State Board of Community Colleges, the President and the chief  
8 financial officer of the Community College System, the  
9 president, chief financial officer, and chief administrative  
10 officer of each community college, and voting members of the  
11 boards of trustees of each community college.
- 12 l. Members of the Commission.
- 13 m. Persons under contract with the State working in or against a  
14 position included under this subdivision.
- 15 n. Members of the governing body of a county.
- 16 o. Persons serving as a county manager under Part 2 of Article 5  
17 of Chapter 153A of the General Statutes.
- 18 p. Members of the governing body of a municipality.
- 19 q. Persons serving as a mayor of a municipality, if that person is  
20 not part of the governing body of the municipality.
- 21 r. Persons serving as a municipal manager under Article 7 of  
22 Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.
- 23 s. Attorneys appointed under either G.S. 153A-114 or  
24 G.S. 160A-173.
- 25 t. Clerks appointed under either G.S. 153A-111, 160A-171, or  
26 160A-172.
- 27 u. Finance officers appointed under G.S.159-24 for any county or  
28 any municipality."

29 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective January 1, 2008.