GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2005

H HOUSE BILL 2165*

Short Title: Environmental Technical Corrections 2006. (Public) **Sponsors:** Representatives Gibson, Harrell, and Justice (Primary Sponsors). Referred to: Environment and Natural Resources. May 18, 2006 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO THE ENVIRONMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH. AND NATURAL RESOURCES. RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: **SECTION 1.** G.S. 113-174.2(c)(6)i. reads as rewritten: Resident Elderly Age 65 Lifetime CRFL. – \$15.00. This license shall be issued only to an individual who is 65 years of age or older and who is a resident of the State." **SECTION 2.** G.S. 113-351(c)(3)e. reads as rewritten: Resident Elderly Age 65 Lifetime Unified Sportsman/Coastal Recreational Fishing License. – \$30.00. This license shall be issued only to an individual who is 65 years of age or older and who is a resident of the State." **SECTION 3.** G.S. 143B-291(a)(1) reads as rewritten: One member who is the chairman chair of the North Carolina State University Minerals Research Laboratory Advisory Committee, ex officio."

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SECTION 5. G.S. 143B-292 reads as rewritten: "§ 143B-292. North Carolina Mining Commission – officers.

SECTION 4. G.S. 143B-291(g) reads as rewritten:

The North Carolina Mining Commission shall have a <u>chairman_chair_and</u> a <u>vice chairman_vice-chair</u>. The <u>chairman_chair_shall</u> be designated by the Governor from among the members of the Commission to serve as <u>chairman at his pleasure.chair at the pleasure of the Governor.</u> The <u>vice chairman_vice-chair</u> shall be elected by and from the

supplied by the Secretary of the Department. Environment and Natural Resources."

Staff. - All clerical and other services required by the Commission shall be

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members of the Commission and shall serve for a term of two years or until the expiration of his-the vice-chair's regularly appointed term."

SECTION 6. G.S. 143B-293 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143B-293. North Carolina Mining Commission – meetings.

The North Carolina Mining Commission shall meet at least semiannually and may hold special meetings at any time and place within the State at the call of the chairman chair or upon the written request of at least five members."

SECTION 7. G.S. 143B-296 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143B-296. Soil and Water Conservation Commission – officers.

The Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall have a <u>chairman_chair</u> and a <u>vice-chair.</u> The <u>chairman_chair</u> shall be designated by the Governor from among the members of the Commission to serve as <u>chairman_chair</u> at the pleasure of the Governor. The <u>vice-chairman_vice-chair</u> shall be elected by and from the members of the Commission and shall serve for a term of two years or until the expiration of <u>his_the_vice-chair's regularly</u> appointed term."

SECTION 8. G.S. 143B-297 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143B-297. Soil and Water Conservation Commission – meetings.

The Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall meet at least quarterly and may hold special meetings at any time and place within the State at the call of the chairman chair or upon the written request of at least four members."

SECTION 9. G.S. 143B-299 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143B-299. Sedimentation Control Commission – members; selection; compensation; meetings.

- (a) Creation; Membership. There is hereby created in the Department of Environment and Natural Resources the North Carolina Sedimentation Control Commission, which is charged with the duty of developing and administering the sedimentation control program provided for in this Article. The Commission shall consist of the following members:
 - (1) A person to be nominated jointly by the boards of the North Carolina League of Municipalities and the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners;
 - (2) A person to be nominated by the Board of the North Carolina Home Builders Association;
 - (3) A person to be nominated by the Carolinas Branch, Associated General Contractors of America;
 - (4) The president, vice-president, or general counsel of a North Carolina public utility company;
 - (5) The Director of the North Carolina Water Resources Research Institute;
 - (6) A member of the State Mining Commission who shall be a representative of nongovernmental conservation interests, as required by G.S. 74-38(b);
 - (7) A member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission;
 - (8) A member of the Environmental Management Commission;

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- (9) A soil scientist from the faculty of North Carolina State University;
- (10) Two persons who shall be representatives of nongovernmental conservation interests; and
- (11) A professional engineer registered under the provisions of Chapter 89C of the General Statutes nominated by the Professional Engineers of North Carolina, Inc.
- Appointment. The Commission members shall be appointed by the Governor. All Commission members, except the person filling position number five, as specified above, appointed under subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of this section, shall serve staggered terms of office of three years and until their successors are appointed and duly qualified. The person filling position number five appointed under subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of this section shall serve as a member of the Commission, subject to removal by the Governor as hereinafter specified in this section, so long as he-the person continues as Director of the Water Resources Research Institute. The terms of office of members filling positions two, four, seven, and eight appointed under subdivisions (2), (4), (7), and (8) of subsection (a) of this section shall expire on 30 June of years evenly divisible by three. The terms of office of members filling positions one, three, and ten-appointed under subdivisions (1), (3), and (10) of subsection (a) of this section shall expire on 30 June of years that follow by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three. The terms of office of members filling positions six, nine, and eleven, appointed under subdivisions (6), (9), and (11) of subsection (a) of this section shall expire on 30 June of years that precede by one year those years that are evenly divisible by three. Except for the person filling position number five, appointed under subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of this section, no member of the Commission shall serve more than two complete consecutive three-year terms. Any member appointed by the Governor to fill a vacancy occurring in any of the appointments shall be appointed for the remainder of the term of the member causing the vacancy. The Governor may at any time remove any member of the Commission for inefficiency, neglect of duty, malfeasance, misfeasance, nonfeasance or, in the case of members filling positions five, six, seven, eight, nine, and eleven as specified above, nonfeasance, or because they no longer possess the required qualifications for membership. In each instance appointments to fill vacancies in the membership of the Commission shall be a person or persons with similar experience and qualifications in the same field required of the member being replaced. The office of the North Carolina Sedimentation Control Commission is declared to be an office that may be held concurrently with any other elective or appointive office, under the authority of Article VI, Sec. 9, of the North Carolina Constitution.
- (b1) <u>Chairman.Chair.</u> The Governor shall designate a member of the Commission to serve as <u>chairman.chair.</u>
- (c) Compensation. The members of the Commission shall receive the usual and customary per diem allowed for the other members of boards and commissions of the State and as fixed in the Biennial Appropriation Act, and, in addition, the members of the Commission shall receive subsistence and travel expenses according to the prevailing State practice and as allowed and fixed by statute for such purposes, which

official business for the Commission.

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power to adopt rules, to the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources or his-the Secretary's designee."

SECTION 11. This act is effective when it becomes law.

SECTION 10. G.S. 143B-300(c) reads as rewritten:

said travel expenses shall also be allowed while going to or from any place of meeting

or when on official business for the Commission. The per diem payments made to each

member of the Commission shall include necessary time spent in traveling to and from

their places of residence within the State to any place of meeting or while traveling on

chairman chair and shall hold special meetings at the call of a majority of the members."

Meetings of Commission. - The Commission shall meet at the call of the

The Commission may by rule delegate any of its powers, other than the