

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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SENATE DRS75222-LR-73A\* (02/28)

Short Title: UNC/Ag. Extension Employee Status.-AB (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Weinstein, and Malone.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT EMPLOYEES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA  
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE ARE EXEMPT FROM THE STATE  
PERSONNEL ACT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 126-5(c1) is amended by adding a new subdivision to  
read:

"(9a) Employees of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service of  
North Carolina State University who are employed in county  
operations and who are not exempt pursuant to subdivision (8) or (9)  
of this subsection."

**SECTION 2.** Article 1 of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes is amended by  
adding a new section to read:

**§ 116-33.2. Cooperative Extension Service employees.**

The Board of Trustees of North Carolina State University shall adopt personnel  
policies governing the employment of the employees of the North Carolina Cooperative  
Extension Service who are exempted from certain provisions of Chapter 126 of the  
General Statutes pursuant to G.S. 126-5(c1)(9a)."

**SECTION 3.** G.S. 153A-439 reads as rewritten:

**§ 153A-439. Support of extension activities; personnel rules for extension  
employees.**

(a) A county may support the work of the North Carolina ~~Agricultural~~  
Cooperative Extension Service and for these purposes may appropriate revenues not  
otherwise limited as to use by law.

~~If a county adopts rules and regulations concerning annual leave, sick leave, hours of  
employment, and holidays that apply to county employees generally, these rules and  
regulations apply to county extension employees. Otherwise, the rules and regulations~~

1 ~~adopted by the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service concerning these matters~~  
2 ~~apply to county extension employees.~~

3     (b) The policies adopted by the Board of Trustees of North Carolina State  
4 University for the employees of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service shall  
5 govern the employment of employees exempted from certain provisions of Chapter 126  
6 of the General Statutes pursuant to G.S. 126-5(c1)(9a). The policies adopted by the  
7 University of North Carolina Board of Governors and the employing constituent  
8 institution shall govern the employment of employees of the North Carolina  
9 Cooperative Extension Service exempted from certain provisions of Chapter 126 of the  
10 General Statutes pursuant to G.S. 126-5(c1)(8)."

11           **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.