GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

HOUSE BILL 57 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO ALLOW RANDOLPH COUNTY TO REAPPOINT MEMBERS OF ITS TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 3(a) of S.L. 1997-342 reads as rewritten:

"(a) **Appointment and membership.** When the board of commissioners adopts a resolution levying a room occupancy tax under this act, it shall also adopt a resolution creating a county Tourism Development Authority, which shall be a public authority under the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act. The Authority shall be composed of nine members to be appointed by the board of commissioners as follows:

(1) Seat 1 shall represent the hotel and motel industry, seat 4 shall represent the North Carolina Zoological Park, seat 7 is unrestricted,

and seat 9 shall represent the county.

(2) Seats 2, 3, 5, and 6 shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the Archdale/Trinity Chamber of Commerce, the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce, the Liberty Chamber of Commerce, and the Randleman Chamber of Commerce, respectively.

(3) Seat 8 shall represent the hotel and motel industry and shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the Asheboro/Randolph

Chamber of Commerce.

In appointing and recommending members, each entity shall strive to select individuals who either have expertise in promoting and developing travel and tourism or are affiliated with organizations that collect the tax. The board of commissioners may reject the recommendation of a chamber of commerce and require the chamber to submit additional names within 30 days after the rejection. If the chamber does not submit additional names within this period, the board of commissioners may appoint someone to the seat based upon its own recommendation.

All members of the Authority serve at the pleasure of the board of commissioners and may be removed by the board at any time. The board of commissioners shall designate one member of the Authority as chair and another as cochair. Members shall

serve without compensation.

Except for initial terms, the term of office shall be for three years. No member may serve more than two consecutive three year terms. Members may serve unlimited three-year terms at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The initial terms for seats 1, 2, and 3 shall be one year. The initial terms for seats 4, 5, and 6 shall be two years. The initial terms for seats 7, 8, and 9 shall be three years.

The Authority shall meet at the call of the chair and shall adopt bylaws and rules of procedure to govern its meetings. The Finance Officer for Randolph County shall be the

ex officio finance officer of the Authority."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 7th day of June,

2004.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

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