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SENATE BILL 809

Short Title: Livable State Minimum Wage.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Martin of Guilford, Lucas; Clodfelter, Kinnaird, and Miller.

Referred to: Commerce.

April 3, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AMENDING THE WAGE AND HOUR ACT TO RAISE THE STATE  
MINIMUM WAGE TO A LIVABLE WAGE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 95-25.3(a) reads as rewritten:

"**§ 95-25.3. Minimum wage.**

(a) Every employer shall pay to each employee who in any workweek performs any work, wages of at least the minimum wage set forth in paragraph 1 of section 6(a) of the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1), as that wage may change from time to time, six dollars and fifteen cents (\$6.15) per hour, increasing to seven dollars and fifteen cents (\$7.15) per hour on Labor Day 2002, and increasing to eight dollars and fifty cents (\$8.50) per hour on Labor Day 2003, except as otherwise provided in this section. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this subsection, if the federal minimum wage set forth in paragraph 1 of section 6(a) of the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 206(a)(1), increases to a level exceeding the minimum wage provided in this subsection, then the State minimum wage shall automatically increase to the federal level."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective September 3, 2001.