GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1993 SESSION

CHAPTER 551 HOUSE BILL 505

AN ACT REQUESTED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING TO RECONSTITUTE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 143B-216.32(a) reads as rewritten:

- "(a) The Council for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing shall consist of 15-23 members. Fifteen members shall be appointed by the Governor. Three members appointed by the Governor shall be persons who are deaf and three members shall be persons who are hard of hearing. One appointment shall be an educator who trains deaf education teachers and one appointment shall be an audiologist licensed under Article 22 of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes. Three appointments shall be parents of deaf or hard of hearing children including one parent of a student in a residential school; one parent of a student in a preschool satellite program; and one parent of a student in a mainstream education program, with each parent coming from a different region of the three North Carolina schools for the deaf regions. One member appointed by the Governor shall be recommended by the President of the North Carolina Association of the Deaf; one member shall be recommended by the President of the North Carolina Pediatric Society; one member shall be recommended by the President of the North Carolina Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf; and one member shall be nominated by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. One member shall be appointed from the House of Representatives by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one member shall be appointed from the Senate by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. The Secretary of Human Resources shall appoint six members as follows: one from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, one from the Division of Aging, one from the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, one from the Division of Social Services, one from a North Carolina Chapter of SHHH (Self Help for the Hard of Hearing), and one from SPEAK (Statewide Parents' Education and Advocacy for Kids)."
- Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1993, and applies to appointments made on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 24th day of July, 1993.

Marc Basnight President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives