

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
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CHAPTER 1006  
HOUSE BILL 808

1 AN ACT CREATING A STATE BOARD OF SPACE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND  
2 PROVIDING FOR ITS MEMBERS, THEIR QUALIFICATIONS, SELECTION,  
3 APPOINTMENT, POWERS, DUTIES AND FINANCING.  
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:  
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7 **Section 1.** There is hereby created the North Carolina Board of Space and  
8 Technology herein referred to as "the Board". The purpose of the Board shall be, through the  
9 exercise of its powers and performance of the duties set forth in this Act, to encourage,  
10 promote, and support the scientific, engineering, and industrial research and applications in  
11 North Carolina to the end that the State will benefit from, and contribute to, economic and  
12 technical developments resulting from advances in the space and related sciences.

13 **Sec. 2.** The Board shall consist of fifteen members, and the Governor, who shall  
14 serve as Chairman. On the first day of July, 1963, the Governor shall appoint the fifteen  
15 members of the Board. Seven members shall be appointed to serve for terms of two (2) years  
16 each; eight members shall be appointed for terms of four (4) years each; and upon the  
17 expiration of the respective terms of the original members, the successors shall be appointed by  
18 the Governor for terms of four (4) years each thereafter. Two members shall be from the  
19 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; two members shall be from North Carolina State  
20 College at Raleigh; two members shall be from Duke University; one member shall be from the  
21 membership of the Governor's Scientific Advisory Committee; one member shall be from the  
22 membership of the North Carolina Advisory Committee on Atomic Energy; three members  
23 shall be from the membership of the General Assembly; three members shall be from industry  
24 within the State; and one member shall be appointed upon nomination by the executive  
25 Committee of the Board of the Research Triangle Institute. The members appointed from the  
26 University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and from North Carolina State College at Raleigh  
27 shall be nominated by the President of the University of North Carolina. The members  
28 appointed from Duke University shall be nominated by the President of Duke University. All  
29 members appointed to the Board shall serve for the duration of their respective terms and until  
30 their successors are appointed and qualified. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the  
31 Board because of death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be filled by the Governor for the  
32 unexpired term of such member. Appointees to the Board shall have demonstrated their interest  
33 in, and ability to contribute to, the fulfillment of the purpose of the Board.

34 **Sec. 4.** The Board shall have the following specific powers and duties, in the  
35 exercise and performance of which it shall be subject to the provisions of Article 1, Chapter  
36 143 of the General Statutes:

- 37 (1) The Board shall be responsible for the allocation of funds for, but not  
38 necessarily limited to, such objects as grants for scientific engineering or  
39 technological projects, the support of scientific or research personnel, the  
40 purchase of equipment or supplies, the construction or modification of  
41 facilities, and the employment of consultants. In general, such allocations  
42 will be made for the support of activities, equipment and facilities in the  
43 space and associated science fields relevant to the objectives of the Board

1 which are associated with the existing public or private agencies in the State,  
2 such as the public and private institutions of higher education, the Research  
3 Triangle Institute and similar entities.

- 4 (2) The Board shall be responsible for the review of the expenditure of all funds  
5 allocated by the Board, subject to the provisions of the Executive Budget  
6 Act.
- 7 (3) The Board's activities shall be centered in the Research Triangle, and will be  
8 closely allied to the Research Triangle Institute.
- 9 (4) The Board shall encourage liason between industry, educational institutions,  
10 the Research Triangle of North Carolina, and Federal agencies, such as the  
11 National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Atomic Energy  
12 Commission, the Department of Defense, the National Science Foundation,  
13 and the National Institute of Health.
- 14 (5) The Board shall hold regular meetings to inform industry of the possible  
15 space and nuclear applications which can accelerate the growth of the North  
16 Carolina industrial economy.
- 17 (6) The Board shall encourage the cooperation of the State's industrial  
18 community, to the end that industry shall assist in screening and identifying  
19 research results fof possible industrial applications.
- 20 (7) The Board will from time to time, arrange to have seminars, short courses,  
21 visits and practical demonstrations held to foster interest in the results of  
22 research as a means of achieving economic progress.

23 **Sec. 5.** In order to effectuate the provisions of this Act, the Board shall be furnished  
24 suitable facilities at the Research Triangle, and shall, within the limits of funds provided by  
25 law, appoint such employees as shall be sufficient to carry out the provisions of this Act, such  
26 employees being subject to the provisions of Article 2, Chapter 143 of the General Statutes,  
27 entitled "State Personnel Department".

28 **Sec. 6.** Members of the Board shall receive no compensation for their services other  
29 than such per diem allowances and allowance for travel expenses as may be provided in each  
30 biennial appropriation Act for such members.

31 **Sec. 7.** The necessary expenditures of the Board shall be provided in a budget  
32 subject to the provisions of Article 1, Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, entitled "The  
33 Executive Budget Act".

34 **Sec. 8.** If a court of competent jurisdiction shall adjudge any clause, sentence,  
35 paragraph, subsection, Section, or part of this Act to be invalid or unconstitutional, such  
36 judgment or decree shall not affect, impair, invalidate, or nullify the remainder of this Act, but  
37 the effect thereof shall be confined to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subsection, Section, or  
38 part of this Act so adjudged.

39 **Sec. 9.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

40 **Sec. 10.** This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

41 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 19th day of June,

42 1963.