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H 266. RECOGNIZE TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS. TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS OF STATE-RECOGNIZED INDIAN TRIBES IN NORTH CAROLINA. Enacts new GS 71A-9 to provide that, consistent with other North Carolina laws, each American Indian tribe officially recognized by GS Ch. 71A may function as a tribal governing body to provide governmental services similar to those provided by the state and local governments, including authority to apply for and administer state and federal grants and other funding programs. Each tribe may: (1) determine its own form of government; (2) elect a governing body; (3) exercise full power and authority over its members with respect to tribal affairs; (4) determine criteria for tribal enrollment; and (5) oversee the reinterment of archaeological, funerary, or other Indian burial remains. The act does not apply to the Eastern Band of the Cherokee.

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Ref. to Military, Veterans & Indian Affairs

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