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S 178. TUITION DISCOUNT FOR FIRE SCIENCE PROGRAMS. Filed 2/14/07. *TO PROVIDE A DISCOUNT IN TUITION FOR ANY STUDENT WHO ENROLLS IN A FIRE SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM AT ANY CONSTITUENT INSTITUTION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA OR THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM.* Adds new GS 116-143.10 (University of North Carolina constituent institutions) and GS 115D-8.1 (community colleges) for the purpose indicated in the title. Provides that a legal resident of North Carolina who enrolls as a full-time undergraduate in a baccalaureate degree program in fire science (UNC) or an associate degree program in fire science (community colleges) must be charged a discount tuition rate of fifty percent of the in-state tuition rate for the academic year. Students receiving the discount rate must accept employment in NC in the field of fire science for a period of two years (UNC) or one year (community colleges). Sets out additional terms of contractual conditions of the discount tuition rate. States the legislative intent (1) that UNC constituent institutions and community colleges not incur a loss of revenue by providing the discount tuition rate and (2) that the difference between the tuition rate and the discount tuition rate be funded by monies from the General Fund. Effective July 1, 2007, and applicable to 2007-08 and subsequent academic years.
Intro. by Rand. GS 115D, 116