

March 12, 2007

S 676. CERTIFICATE OF NEED/COUNTY ACTION. Filed 3/12/07. *TO ALLOW COUNTIES TO BRING AN ACTION IN SUPERIOR COURT FOR REVIEW OF COMPLIANCE WITH A CERTIFICATE OF NEED.* Amends GS 131E-185 to give an applicant 15 days following any required public hearings to modify the application for a certificate of need and submit the modified application to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Amends GS 131E-189 allowing counties where a facility or project for which a certificate of need has been issued to bring an action in superior court against the certificate holder to determine compliance with the certificate when DHHS fails to review the progress. The court must order DHHS to withdraw the certificate if the holder has not complied or made a good faith effort to comply with the certificate; the holder of the certificate may appeal the court's decision in accordance with GS 131E-188.

Intro. by Berger of Franklin.

GS 131E

June 7, 2007

S 676. ESTABLISH STATE GOVT. PAY EQUITY STUDY COMM. (NEW). Filed 3/12/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes all provisions of first edition and replaces it with *AN ACT CREATING THE STATE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT PAY EQUITY STUDY COMMISSION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.* Now provides for the creation of a 15-member State Government Employment Pay Equity Study Commission (Commission). Provides for the appointment of five members each by the Governor, the Speaker of the House, and the President Pro Tem. of the Senate. Provides guidelines to the Commission as to the content of the study and provides that the Commission may conduct public hearings around the state regarding pay equity issues. Provides guidelines regarding assigning of support staff to the Commission, the filling of vacancies, and powers of the Commission. Directs the Office of State Personnel to complete an analysis of the issues identified for study in the bill and to submit that analysis to the Commission by May 1, 2008. Directs the Commission to submit an interim report to the 2008 Regular Session of the 2007 General Assembly and a final report to the 2009 General Assembly and to terminate upon the filing of the final report. Appropriates \$25,000 for 2007-08 and \$25,000 for 2008-09 from the General Fund to the General Assembly to fund the work of the Commission. Effective July 1, 2007.