

March 17, 2009

H 631. WEARING OF MEDALS BY PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL. Filed 3/17/09. *TO FACILITATE THE WEARING OF MILITARY MEDALS BY PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL.*

Enacts a new GS 165-44.01 to allow uniformed public safety officers to wear military service medals during the business week prior to Veterans Day and Memorial Day, the day of Veterans Day and Memorial Day, and the business day immediately following Veterans Day and Memorial Day. Provides that an employer of a uniformed public safety officer retains the right to prohibit the wearing of service medals if the employer determines it poses a safety hazard to the officer or to the public. The prohibition is only effective if adopted after the statute becomes law. States that the statute must be interpreted in accordance with all applicable federal laws and regulations. Defines (1) *military service medal* as any medal, badge, or other decoration awarded by the active or reserve

components of the US armed forces, the NC Air National Guard, or the NC Army National Guard to members of those forces and (2) *public safety officer* as an employee of a public safety agency who is a law enforcement officer, a firefighter, or emergency medical services personnel.

Intro. by Martin.

GS 165

April 1, 2009

H 631. WEARING OF MEDALS BY PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL. Filed 3/17/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends proposed GS 165-44.01(d) to include a ribbon awarded by the active or reserve components of the armed forces of the US, the NC Air National Guard, or the NC Army National Guard in the definition of *military service medal*.

June 11, 2009

H 631. WEARING OF MEDALS BY PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL. Filed 3/17/09. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Adds the Fourth of July to the list of holidays around which medals may be worn and adds a requirement that public safety officers not cover their badges with medals.

July 2, 2009

SL 2009-240 (H 631). WEARING OF MEDALS BY PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL. AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE WEARING OF MILITARY MEDALS BY PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/17/09, 4/1/09, and 6/11/09. Enacted June 30, 2009. Effective June 30, 2009.