

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY **CONFERENCE REPORT**

Senate Bill 468

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[NO] Title Change

[YES] For Committee Substitute

To:

The President of the Senate

The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 468, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COUNTIES TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS TO FORMER EMPLOYEES WHO ARE NOT RECEIVING RETIREMENT BENEFITS, House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/3/09, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/3/09, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/3/09, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S468-PCCS15327-RO-1.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: 125, 2009.

Conferees for the Senate

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Jr., Chair

Eleanor Kinnaird

House of Representatives

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SENATE BILL 468

Second Edition Engrossed 5/14/09 House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/3/09 Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S468-PCCS15327-RO-1

Short Title:	Authorize Insurance for Former Employees.	(Public)
Sponsors:		
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March 9, 2009

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COUNTIES TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS TO FORMER EMPLOYEES WHO ARE NOT RECEIVING RETIREMENT BENEFITS. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 153A-93(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) A county which is providing health insurance under G.S. 153A-92(d) may provide health insurance for all or any class of former officers and employees of the county who are receiving benefits under subsection (a) of this section.county. Such health insurance may be paid entirely by the county, partly by the county and former officer or employee, or entirely by the former officer or employee, at the option of the county."

SECTION 2. G.S. 153A-93 is amended by adding two new subsections to read:

 "(d1) On and after October 1, 2009, a county which is providing health insurance under G.S. 153A-92(d) may provide health insurance for all or any class of former officers and employees of the county who have obtained at least 10 years of service with the county prior to separation from the county and who are not receiving benefits under subsection (a) of this section. Such health insurance may be paid entirely by the county, partly by the county and former officer or employee, or entirely by the former officer or employee, at the option of the county.

(d2) Notwithstanding subsection (d) of this section, any county that has elected to and is covering its active employees only, or its active and retired employees, under the State Health Plan, or elects such coverage under the Plan, may not provide health insurance through the State Health Plan to all or any class of former officers and employees who are not receiving benefits under subsection (a) of this section. The county may, however, provide health insurance to such former officers and employees by any other means authorized by G.S. 153A-92(d). The health insurance premium may be paid entirely by the county, partly by the county and former officer or employee, or entirely by the former officer or employee, at the option of the county."

SECTION 3. Section 1 of this act is effective when it becomes law and applies to any county providing health insurance to former officers and employees on that date. Section 2 of this act becomes effective when it becomes law and applies to any officer or employee who separates from service with the county on or after October 1, 2009. The remainder of the act is effective when it becomes law.

