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Short Title: Public Staff/Duty to Represent the Public. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Cleveland.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE PUBLIC STAFF SHALL IN ALL OF ITS DUTIES AND  
3 RESPONSIBILITIES PROVIDED FOR BY LAW ACT ON BEHALF OF THE USING  
4 AND CONSUMING PUBLIC.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 62-15 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 62-15. Office of executive director; public staff, structure and function.

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9 (b) There is established in the Commission a public staff. The public staff shall consist  
10 of the executive director and such other professional, administrative, technical, and clerical  
11 personnel as may be necessary in order for the public staff to represent the using and  
12 consuming public, as hereinafter provided. The public staff shall, in all of its duties and  
13 responsibilities provided for in this Chapter, act on behalf of the using and consuming public  
14 and shall not act on behalf of any other person, group, or entity. The public staff shall not give  
15 any advice, guidance, or opinion in any proceeding or other matter before the Commission that  
16 is not in the interest of the using and consuming public. All ~~such~~ personnel authorized under  
17 this subsection shall be appointed, supervised, and directed by the executive director. The  
18 public staff shall not be subject to the supervision, direction, or control of the Commission, the  
19 chairman, or members of the Commission.

20 ...."

21 SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

