

## NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT House Bill 223

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Senator Jarvis

moves to amend the bill on page 1, lines 13-21, by rewriting those lines to read: "....";

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and on page 3, lines 3-28, by deleting those lines;

and on page 5, line 31, through page 6, line 4, by rewriting those lines to read:

8 "SECTION 11.(a) Pilot Program for Department of Health and Human Services to 9 Permanently Hire Certain Temporary Employees Under Specific Conditions. The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (Department) may directly hire temporary 10 employees into vacant positions so long as all of the following conditions are met: (i) the position 11 12 to which the temporary employee would be appointed is vacant; (ii) the temporary employee must have been working, for at least six months not including any mandatory breaks under 13 14 G.S. 126-6.3, in a role that is substantially equivalent to the appointed position with satisfactory performance; (iii) the temporary employee must have been hired through the Temporary 15 Solutions Program of the North Carolina Office of State Human Resources (OSHR); and (iv) the 16 annual salary for the employee appointed to the position must be eighty thousand dollars 17 (\$80,000) or less. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the hiring shall be exempt from 18 19 Chapter 126 of the General Statutes, including any procedural or substantive requirements such 20 as publicly posting the position, requiring an application, holding an interview or new reference checks, selecting the applicants from the pool of the most qualified persons, and following the 21 priorities for certain types of applicants under State law. The hiring shall not be exempt from 22 23 G.S. 126-14, G.S. 126-14.1, G.S. 126-14.5, and Articles 6 and 7 of Chapter 126 of the General Statutes. The exemption from Chapter 126 of the General Statutes for the hiring process shall not 24 25 affect whether the position is subject to Chapter 126 of the General Statutes once the employee 26 is hired.

SECTION 11.(b) This section is effective when it becomes law and expires 180 calendar days from the date of enactment. This section continues to apply to any hiring where the Department issues an offer letter, while this section is in effect, that is contingent upon successful completion of any pre-requisite condition, such as a background check, reference check, or drug test, that would otherwise be required of a job candidate for the appointed position, even if the hiring occurs after this section otherwise expires.





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SECTION 11.(c) The Department shall report to OSHR on the number and type of 1 2 positions filled under this temporary authority no later than July 1, 2025.".

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment Sponsor

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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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