



CHAPTER 126

ARTICLE 5 - POLITICAL ACTIVITY OF EMPLOYEES

N.C.G.S. § 126-14.

Promise or threat to obtain political contribution or support.

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General Statutes of North Carolina, as published by the General Assembly	S.L. 2018-146, ss. 3.1(a), (b), 6.1 — ninth act in the lineage	21 September 2026, 04:13 UTC	8727e9bd86838e52e6c468bf - 75b87c239b04164079d5871d - da0ec488493846df

§ 126-14(a)

It is unlawful for a State employee or a person appointed to State office, other than elective office or office on a board, commission, committee, or council whose function is advisory only, whether or not subject to the North Carolina Human Resources Act, to coerce:

- (1) a State employee subject to the North Carolina Human Resources Act,
- (2) a probationary State employee,
- (3) a temporary State employee, or
- (4) an applicant for a position subject to the North Carolina Human Resources Act

to support or contribute to a political candidate, political committee as defined in G.S. 163-278.6, or political party or to change the party designation of the individual's voter registration by threatening that change in employment status or discipline or preferential personnel treatment will occur with regard to an individual listed in subdivisions (1) through (4) of this subsection.

§ 126-14(a1)

It is unlawful for an individual as defined in G.S. 138A-3(70)a. to coerce a person as described in G.S. 138A-32(d)(1), (2), or (3) to support or contribute to a political candidate, a political committee as defined in G.S. 163-278.6, or a political party by threatening discipline or promising preferential treatment with regard to that person's business with the individual's State office or that person's activities regulated by the individual's State office.

§ 126-14(b)

Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.

§ 126-14(c)

A State employee subject to the North Carolina Human Resources Act, probationary State employee, or temporary State employee who without probable cause falsely accuses a State employee or a person appointed to State office of violating this section shall be subject to discipline or change in employment status in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 126-35, 126-37, and 126-38 and may, as otherwise provided by law, be subject to criminal penalties for perjury or civil liability for libel, slander, or malicious prosecution.

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APPARATUS I
9 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1967	c. 821, s. 1	ENACTED
02	1985	c. 469, s. 2	AMENDED
03	1991	c. 505, s. 1	AMENDED
04	1993	c. 539, s. 931	AMENDED
05	1994	Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c)	AMENDED
06	2010	S.L. 2010-169, s. 1(a)	AMENDED
07	2013	S.L. 2013-382, s. 9.1(c)	AMENDED
08	2017	S.L. 2017-6, s. 3	AMENDED
09	2018	S.L. 2018-146, ss. 3.1(a), (b), 6.1	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
4 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 163-278.6	(a)	"candidate, political committee as defined in"
G.S. 138A-3(70)	(a1)	"for an individual as defined in"
G.S. 138A-32(d)(1), (2), or (3)	(a1)	"coerce a person as described in"
G.S. 126-35	(c)	"in accordance with the provisions of"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 126-14 (2018).

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