



CHAPTER 166A
ARTICLE 1A - NORTH CAROLINA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT

N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.2.

Construction; limitations.

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§ 166A-19.2(a) Construction. - Nothing in this Article shall be construed to do any of the following:

- (1) Interfere with dissemination of news or comment on public affairs; but any communications facility or organization, including, but not limited to, radio and television stations, wire services, and newspapers may be requested to transmit or print public service messages furnishing information or instructions in connection with an emergency, disaster, or war.
- (2) Limit, modify, or abridge the authority of the Governor to declare martial law or exercise any other powers vested in the Governor under the North Carolina Constitution, statutes, or common law of this State independent of, or in conjunction with, any provisions of this Article.

§ 166A-19.2(b) Religious Institutions. - No religious institution shall be subject to an executive order, secretarial declaration, municipal or local government prohibition or restriction, or a rule or regulation by a political subdivision of this State that distinguishes between religious institutions and other public or private for-profit or nonprofit entities that are subject to or affected by the same or similar emergency in a way that imposes additional limitations on the religious institution. For the purposes of this subsection, the term "religious institution" has the same meaning as in G.S. 131F-2.

§ 166A-19.2(c) Limitation. - Nothing in this Article authorizes or empowers the Governor or the Governor's designee to waive, modify, suspend, or fail to enforce or execute any provision of Chapter 96 of the General Statutes.

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APPARATUS I
6 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1975	c. 734, s. 2	ENACTED
02	1977	c. 848, s. 2	AMENDED
03	1995	c. 509, s. 122	AMENDED
04	2012	S.L. 2012-12, s. 1(b)	AMENDED
05	2024	S.L. 2024-16, s. 3(a)	AMENDED
06	2024	S.L. 2024-57, s. 3B.3(b)	AMENDED

APPARATUS II

1 AUTHORITY

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. 131F-2	(b)	"has the same meaning as in"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-19.2 (2024).

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N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-19.2(a) (2024).

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