

# State of North Carolina



**BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE**  
GOVERNOR

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5**

### **ESTABLISHING THE NORTH CAROLINA BUDGET REFORM AND ACCOUNTABILITY COMMISSION (BRAC)**

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the State of North Carolina deserve excellent results from government programs vital to the well-being of our people, our cities, and towns, and our economy; and

**WHEREAS**, such excellent results in delivering these programs and services are the State's obligation, regardless of the economic, environmental, or other broad external conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, we must transform the way North Carolina government delivers its services to remain healthy, growing, and vital.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of North Carolina, **IT IS ORDERED**:

#### Section 1. Establishment

- (a) The North Carolina Budget Reform and Advisory Commission is hereby established to help ensure that the services and programs provided by State government are meeting established public goals in the most effective, efficient and measured way; that the operations of State government are streamlined and improved to achieve cost savings without sacrificing core missions and services; and that policies and laws support these goals to keep North Carolina competitive economically, educationally, environmentally, culturally, and socially.
- (b) The Commission shall be composed of members appointed by the Governor, including, but not limited to, citizens from the private sector, local government, and academic sectors.
- (c) The State Budget Director and the Governor's Policy Director shall serve as non-voting ex officio members.

- (d) To the extent possible, the Commission shall include persons with expertise in one or more of the following areas: tax policy, education (both vocational and university), private business (both major corporation and small business), local government, health policy, economic development, and the environment.

Section 2. Officers

- (a) The Governor shall select the Chair and Vice Chair of the Commission.
- (b) The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Commission; appoint any committee chairs; assist all committee chairs in the planning of any committee activities; supervise all committee chairs as to the management of committee plans; and serve as an ex officio member of all committees.
- (c) The Vice Chair shall assist the Chair and, in the absence of the Chair, perform those duties enumerated above. The Vice Chair shall accept special assignments from the Chair.

Section 3. Duties

The Commission shall advise the Governor on statewide goals and indicators, tax policy, measures that improve efficiencies, cost-savings, and effectiveness of program functions and delivery of services, and other matters related to government performance and efficiency as determined by the Governor.

Section 4. Standing Committees

To assist the Commission in carrying out its duties and responsibilities, standing committees may be established. Committee chairs and members shall be appointed by the Commission Chair. Standing Committees may include, for example, committees on tax policy, program evaluation, and innovation and planning.

Section 5. Meetings

The Commission shall meet upon the call of the Chair as directed by the Governor.

Section 6. Commission Administration and Expenses

The Governor's Office of State Budget and Management and the Governor's Policy Office shall provide the necessary professional, administrative, and staff support services to the Commission. The Commission is authorized to accept funds and in-kind services from other state and federal entities to the extent allowed by the North Carolina State Budget Act. No per diem allowance shall be paid to members of the Commission. Members of the Commission and staff may receive necessary travel and subsistence expenses in accordance with State law.

Section 7. Implementation and Duration

This Executive Order shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in the City of Raleigh, this twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-third.

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Beverly Eaves Perdue  
Governor

**ATTEST:**

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Elaine F. Marshall  
Secretary of State