

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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CHAPTER 991
HOUSE BILL 863

AN ACT TO AMEND G.S. 7A-171.1 TO GIVE SENIORITY CREDITS IN THE
MAGISTRATE'S SALARY SCHEDULE FOR A COLLEGE OR LAW SCHOOL
EDUCATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 7A-171.1 is amended by addition of the following subdivision at the end thereof:

"(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a beginning full-time magistrate with a two-year Associate in Applied Science degree in criminal justice or paralegal training from a North Carolina community college or technical institute or the equivalent degree from a private educational institution in North Carolina, may be initially employed at the annual salary provided in the table above for a magistrate with '3 or more but less than 5' years of service; a beginning full-time magistrate with a four-year degree from an accredited senior institution of higher education may be initially employed at the annual salary provided in the table above for a magistrate with '5 or more but less than 7' years of service; a beginning full-time magistrate who holds a law degree from an accredited law school may be employed at the annual salary provided in the table for a magistrate with '7 or more but less than 9' years of service; and a beginning full-time magistrate who is licensed to practice law in North Carolina may be initially employed at the annual salary provided in the table for a magistrate with '9 or more' years of service. Seniority increments for a magistrate with a two or four-year degree or a law degree described herein accrue thereafter at two-year intervals, as provided in the table.

Magistrates with a two or four-year degree or a law degree described herein who became magistrates before the effective date of this act are entitled to an increase of three, five and seven years, respectively, in their seniority, for pay purposes only. Full-time magistrates licensed to practice law in North Carolina who became magistrates before the effective date of this act are entitled to the pay of a magistrate with 9 or more years of service, and part-time magistrates holding a law degree or a license to practice law as described above who became magistrates before the effective date of this act are entitled to a proportionate adjustment in their pay. Pay increases authorized by this subdivision are not retroactive."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1979.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 8th day of June,

1979.