

# **The Oil and Gas Conservation Act**

*Created in 1945*

## **NC General Statutes**

Chapter 113, Subchapter V, Article 27, Part 2

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Created for:

- a. The protection of public interests
- b. The protection of correlative mineral rights
- c. The prevention of waste
- d. The protection of the environment through regulation

# The Oil and Gas Commission

Created by:

- a. NC General Statutes Chapter 143 B
- b. The Executive Organization Act of 1973
- c. And in Chapter 113 of the Conservation and Development Statutes

# The Oil and Gas Commission

Directed to:

*Establish a modern regulatory program  
for the management of oil and gas development*

# The Oil and Gas Commission

The regulatory program shall be designed to:

- Protect public health and safety
- Protect public and private property
- Protect and Conserve the State's air, water and natural resources
- Expand employment opportunities
- Provide for the productive and efficient development of the State's oil and gas resources

# OGC Meetings

- OGC shall meet at least once per quarter
  - Required by N.C.G.S. 143B-293.5
- Regular attendance is a duty of each Commissioner
  - General Assembly appointees
    - Their position becomes vacant if three consecutive meetings are missed
      - Exception is sickness
  - Governor appointees
    - Their position may constitute grounds for removal if attendance falls below 75%