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Vogt Selected by Governor Perdue to Join the NC Local Government Commission

CHAPEL HILL, NC – A. John “Jack” Vogt, longtime faculty member at the School of Government at UNC-Chapel Hill, has been appointed by Governor Beverly Perdue to a four-year term on the North Carolina Local Government Commission.

Created after the Great Depression to assist local North Carolina governments in decision-making involving large financial projects such as bond issues, the Commission is a part of the North Carolina Department of State Treasurer. In more recent times, the Commission has played an important role in helping local governments in the state follow sound financial management practices, remain financially strong, and access the municipal debt markets. It is composed of nine members: the State Treasurer, the Secretary of State, the State Auditor, the Secretary of Revenue, and five others by appointment.

Jack Vogt joined the School of Government in 1973, when it was known as the Institute of Government. Vogt is the author of *Capital Improvement Programming: A Handbook for Local Government Officials*, and he is editor and principal author of *A Guide to Municipal Leasing*, for which he received the Research and Publications Award of the Government Finance Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada. He also authored *Capital Budgeting and Finance: A Guide for Local Governments*, published in 2004 by the International City/County Management Association.

Vogt is the recipient of the 2003 S. Kenneth Howard Award for lifetime professional achievement in public budgeting and finance, given by the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management of the American Society for Public Administration. In 2006, the North Carolina Local Government Budget Association created an award in Vogt’s name to be given annually for excellence in local budgeting in the state.

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