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HOUSE BILL 1207

Short Title: Study Review of Health Bills.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Bowie.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House.

May 5, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO
STUDY A PROCEDURE FOR REVIEW OF HEALTH CARE BILLS PRIOR TO
CONSIDERATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study the establishment of a procedure whereby proposed or introduced bills that propose major changes to the health care delivery system in North Carolina may be reviewed by a committee or panel of persons qualified to evaluate the proposal and its impact on business, industry, and the citizens of this State. In conducting the study, the Commission may consider the following:

- (1) Whether the review should be conducted prior to further consideration of the legislation by the General Assembly;
- (2) Whether bills proposing major changes to health care law should have attached certification that the bill has been reviewed by the committee or panel, including findings and recommendations of the committee or panel; and
- (3) Any other matter that may assist in ensuring that legislation proposing significant changes in the health care system receives the necessary

1 legislative and professional review to facilitate well-informed decision
2 making by the General Assembly.

3 The Commission may make a preliminary report of its findings and
4 recommendations to the 1997 General Assembly, Regular Session 1998, and shall make
5 its final report to the 1999 General Assembly.

6 Section 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General
7 Assembly, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the 1997-98 fiscal year
8 and the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the 1998-99 fiscal year to
9 conduct the study authorized under this act.

10 Section 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.