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H 1256. RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING STUDY. TO CREATE A LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION TO STUDY THE NEED FOR INCREASED REGULATION OF THE HOMEBUILDING INDUSTRY. Creates the Homebuilding Industry Study Commission, consisting of 15 members appointed as follows: Three members of the House and two members of the public (one must be a licensed general contractor specializing in residential construction and one a licensed home inspector), appointed by the Speaker; three Senators and two members of the public (one must be a licensed general contractor and one either a registered architect specializing in residential design or a structural engineer) appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and five members of the public appointed by the Governor (one must be a local code enforcement official, one must have expertise in residential construction issues but not engage in that business, and three must represent the public at large). Specifies matters relating to the residential construction industry that the comm'n must study. Authorizes interim report to the 2000 Session and final report on or before first day of the 2001 Session of the General Assembly, at which time the commission terminates. Appropriates \$25,000 for 1999-2000 and \$25,000 for 2000-2001 from General Fund to General Assembly for work of the Comm'n. Effective July 1, 1999.

Intro. by Earle.

Ref. to Rules

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