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S 896. SMART GROWTH. *TO ESTABLISH THE SMART GROWTH NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.* Adds new GS 143B-437.06 to establish cited comm'n, to consist of 30 members.   Ex officio members are Lt. Governor, Secretaries of Commerce, Environment and Natural Resources, and Transportation, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Chair of Information Resources Management Comm'n four gubernatorial appointees include one each to represent public schools, community colleges, university system, and environmental advocacy group; Ten appointments are made by President Pro Tem as follows: one person familiar with urban planning or building industry, one representative each from League of Municipalities and Association of County Commissioners, one person familiar with rural economic development, one person familiar with agriculture industry, one public member, and four senators. Ten House appointments are made by the Speaker as follows: one person familiar with urban planning or building industry, one representative each from League of Municipalities and Association of County Commissioners, one person familiar with urban economic development, one representative of business and industry, one public member, and four representatives. Ex officio members may send designees. Members serve without compensation except for regular per diem and travel reimbursement. Comm'n to meet at least four times per year and to elect its own chair at first meeting. Terms begin Oct. 1, 1999 and continue until comm'n terminated. Comm'n to study population growth, infrastructure needs, and recommend strategies for long-term, strategic land use planning, affordable housing, environmental needs, transportation needs, workforce competitiveness, and similar related topics, and to recommend strategies to meet those needs. Appropriates $150,000 from General Fund for 1999-2000 fiscal year to Dep't of Commerce to fund work of Comm'n. Effective July 1, 1999.
Intro. by Perdue.
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