

February 28, 2001

H 280. CONVENE SESSION EARLIER. *TO PROVIDE FOR AN EARLIER CONVENING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR ORGANIZATION AND THEN AN EXTENDED RECESS.* Provides that the regular session of the General Assembly will convene on the second Wednesday in January following the election (currently convenes on third Wednesday in January) and that after adjournment that day, the General Assembly will stand adjourned for two weeks.

Intro. by Redwine.

Ref. to Rules	GS 120
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April 9, 2001

H 280. CONVENE SESSION EARLIER. Intro. 2/28/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Early session will begin on the first Wednesday after second Monday rather than on the second Wednesday in January.

August 28, 2001

H 280. SESSION LENGTH LIMITS. Intro. 2/28/01. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Changes title to read *AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT THE LENGTH OF LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EARLIER CONVENING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR ORGANIZATION.* Proposes a constitutional amendment and conforming statutory changes, subject to a referendum, as title indicates. If approved, session would begin on the first Wednesday in December after the election. Odd-number year ("long") sessions would be limited to 135 calendar days, beginning on the December date, with the possibility of extension by joint resolution for no more than 10 days. Tolls the numerical limit in the case of a mid-session adjournment of less than 30 days. Even number ("short") sessions would be limited to 60 calendar days. Session limit does not apply to sessions reconvened by the Governor under Art. III, Sec. 5 of the North Carolina Constitution. Amendment to be voted on at next statewide election.