April 10, 2003

H 1099. CITY, COUNTY SCHOOL BD. VOTING REQUIRED. TO ENFORCE THE DUTY OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND COUNTY COMM'RS TO VOTE ON NONPROCEDURAL ISSUES AND TO IMPOSE A SIMILAR ENFORCEABLE DUTY TO VOTE ON SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS. Amends GS 160A-75 to provide that if a city council member is not excused from voting but nevertheless fails to vote three or more times during any calendar year (not counting votes on procedural motions), the member may be removed from office by the vote of two-thirds of the remaining council members (currently, the failure to vote results in an affirmative vote being recorded). Amends GS 153A-44 to apply the same provision to members of boards of county comm'rs. Amends GS 115C-48 to create a duty for school board members to vote unless the member has a conflict of interest or is excused by the board, and to provide for removal of the member from the board if the member without excuse fails to vote three or more times during a calendar year (not counting votes on procedural motions). Effective Dec. 1, 2003.

Intro. by LaRoque.

Ref. to Loc. Gov. I GS 115C, 153A, 160A

May 7, 2003

H 1099. STUDY LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS VOTING (NEW). Intro. 4/10/03. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Rewrites bill, changing title to AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS' DUTY TO VOTE AND MECHANISMS OF ENSURING VOTING, INCLUDING REMOVAL FROM OFFICE. As title indicates.