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H 2034. TECHNICAL CHANGES/AGENCY FEES. Filed 5/16/06. *TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE LAW RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OR INCREASE OF FEES OR CHARGES BY STATE AGENCIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.* Amends GS 12-3.1. That statute provides that only the General Assembly may authorize an agency to establish or increase a fee for any service and provides that a rule adopted by an agency which establishes or increases a fee may not go into effect until the agency has consulted with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. The statute further specifies the agencies to which the statute applies (and specifies that it does not apply to counties, municipalities, UNC, community colleges, hospitals, school boards, or other local governments) and the kinds of charges to which it does not apply (fees charged to governmental units, fees charged for photocopies or transcripts, registration fees for conferences, and user fees for data processing services). This bill deletes the specifications as to the agencies and the rules covered by the statutes, but adds a provision specifying that the consultation requirement applies only to rules establishing or increasing fees if those rules were adopted in accordance with Article 2A ("Rules") of GS Chapter 150B

Intro. by Goodwin.

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