

April 11, 2007

**H 1409. CITIZENS EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.** Filed 4/11/07. *TO CREATE A PERMANENT CITIZENS EFFICIENCY COMMISSION AND TO REQUIRE EACH HOUSE TO VOTE ON ITS RECOMMENDATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE A COUNTERVAILING FORCE TO PRESSURES IN THE POLITICAL SYSTEM THAT RESULT IN WASTEFUL SPENDING AND LOOPHOLES.*

Enacts new Article 79 of GS Chapter 143 establishing the fifteen-member Citizens Efficiency Commission to recommend government efficiency programs to the Governor. Members are appointed to a two-year term. The commission is authorized to present government efficiency proposals concerning state agencies, institutions, and departments, to the Governor each biennium, after conducting public hearings on the recommendations. If the Governor approves the commission's recommendations, the recommendations are sent to the General Assembly; if they are disapproved by the Governor, the commission may revise and resubmit the recommendations. Establishes deadlines for the approval process. Prohibits the Governor from implementing programs recommended by the commission if the recommendations have been disapproved by the General Assembly before the earlier of the 90-day period beginning when the Governor sends the report to the General Assembly or adjournment of the General Assembly. Sets requirements for the introduction, language, committee assignment, and calendaring of the disapproval bill.

**Intro. by Blust.**

GS 143

May 21, 2007

**H 1409. CITIZENS EFFICIENCY COMMISSION.** Filed 4/11/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Modifies proposed GS 143-741 to provide that members of the Citizens Efficiency Commission are appointed by the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tem. of the Senate (was, by the Governor). Modifies proposed GS 143-743 to (1) change the date a revised list of recommendations is due to the Governor if the Governor disapproves the Commission's recommendations from December 31 to January 15 and (2) change the date that revised recommendations that have been approved by the Governor must be given to the General Assembly from January 15 to January 30. Modifies proposed GS 143-744 to (1) prohibit the Governor from carrying out any of the Commission's recommended efficiency programs if a disapproval bill is enacted before the General Assembly adjourns sine die for the session during which the report was transmitted (was, the earlier of adjournment sine die for the session during which the report was transmitted or the end of the 90-day period beginning on the date that the Governor transmits the report); (2) remove the requirement that the bill be introduced within the 10-day period beginning on the next day the General Assembly is in session after the date on which the Governor transmits the report to the General Assembly; (3) allows the General Assembly to disapprove of the Commission's recommendations as a whole or in part; and (4) removes other requirements that the General Assembly would have to follow in considering a disapproval bill, including requirements for the committee assignment and calendaring of the disapproval bill. Makes conforming and technical changes. Makes a conforming title change.