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**H 1713. STUDY RACIAL DISPARITIES IN JUVENILE SYSTEM.** Filed 4/18/07. *TO ESTABLISH THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISPARITIES IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM.*

As title indicates. Commission to consist of 16 members, one-half members of the House of Representatives and one-half members of the Senate. Requires the commission to study the root causes of, and the best practices needed to eliminate, the racial disparities in the juvenile justice system that negatively affect African-American children and other racial and ethnic minorities and their families. Requires the Legislative Services Commission to allocate funds for the expenses of the commission and mandates that the commission make a final report to the 2009 General Assembly by January 31, 2009. The commission expires on January 31, 2009, or upon filing of its final report, whichever is earlier.

**Intro. by Bryant, Wainwright.**

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