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H 2071. ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION. Filed 8/1/07. *SETTING THE TIME FOR ADJOURNMENT OF THE 2007 GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO MEET IN 2008 AND LIMITING THE SUBJECTS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED IN THAT SESSION.* Provides that when the 2007 General Assembly adjourns on August 2, 2007, they will reconvene at noon on May 13, 2008. Limits matters that may be considered during the 2008 Regular Session as follows:

1. Bills that directly and primarily affect the 2008-09 state budget (including the budget of an occupational licensing board), if requested by May 16 and filed by May 27, 2008.
2. Bills and resolutions that in 2007 passed third reading in the house in which introduced; were received in the other house by the applicable deadline; were not disposed of in the other house by tabling, unfavorable committee report, indefinite postponement, or failure to pass any reading; and do not violate the rules of the receiving house.
3. Bills and resolutions that implement the recommendations of: (a) study commissions and statutory commissions authorized or directed to report to the 2008 session; (b) the General Statutes Commission, the Courts Commission, or any commission created under GS Chapter 120 and authorized or directed to report to the General Assembly; (c) the House Ethics Committee; (d) select committees; or (e) the Joint Legislative Ethics Committee or its Advisory Subcommittee, if requested by May 14 and filed by May 21, 2008.
4. Any local bill that is accompanied by a certificate signed by the principal sponsor stating that no public hearing will be required or requested by a member, that the bill is noncontroversial, and that the bill is approved for introduction by each member of the House of Representatives and Senate whose district includes the area to which the bill applies, if requested by May 21 and filed by May 28, 2008.
5. Bills providing for selection, appointment, or confirmation of members of state boards and commissions as required by law, including the filling of vacancies.
6. Any matter authorized by joint resolution passed during the 2008 Regular Session by a two-thirds majority of the members of each chamber present and voting.
7. A joint resolution authorizing the introduction of a bill pursuant to the preceding paragraph.
8. Any bills primarily affecting any state or local pension or retirement system, if requested by May 21 and filed by May 28, 2008.
9. Joint resolutions, House resolutions, and Senate resolutions authorized for introduction under Senate Rule 40(b) or House Rule 31.
10. A joint resolution adjourning the 2007 Regular Session, sine die.
11. Bills to disapprove rules under GS 150B-21.3 (adoption of rules under the Administrative Procedure Act).

Prohibits the introduction of blank bills in the House of Representatives during the 2008 Regular Session. Provides that the Speaker or the President Pro Tem. may authorize appropriate committees or subcommittees of their respective houses to meet during the period between

sessions to review matters concerning the 2007-09 State budget, prepare reports (including revised budgets), or consider any other matters that the Speaker or the President Pro Tem. considers appropriate, but prohibits those committees from considering any bill or proposed committee substitute for a bill that originated in the other house. Also authorizes conference committees to meet during the period between sessions upon approval of the Speaker or the President Pro Tem.

Intro. by Committee on Rules, Calendar, and JOINT RES
Operations of the House.