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H 1355. STUDY NC GLOBAL ECONOMIC INITIATIVE. Filed 04/08/09. TO INITIATE A STUDY OF A COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN INVOLVING AIR CARGO, RAIL AND SEA TO BE CALLED THE NORTH CAROLINA GLOBAL ECONOMIC INITIATIVE.

Creates the Legislative Study Commission on the North Carolina Global Economic Initiative to study (1) creating one entity of and one governing board to oversee the Global TransPark Authority, the North Carolina Ports of Wilmington and Morehead City, and the North Carolina Railroad in creating a comprehensive transportation and distribution infrastructure plan involving air cargo, rail and sea transportation and (2) establishing service of a Class I Rail Service by more than one railroad to both the Global TransPark and the state ports. The commission shall consist of 13 members, including three members of the House of Representatives and three of the Senate, four members of the general public: one each with expertise on the Global TransPark, the NC Ports Authority, the NC Railroad, and Class I Rail service; the Secretary of Commerce; the Dean of the College of Business at East Carolina University; and the Dean of the School of Business at UNC-Wilmington. The commission is to submit its final report by the 2010 Regular Session. Provides that the commission terminates upon the filing of the final report or upon the convening of the 2010 Regular Session, whichever occurs first. Effective July 1, 2009. Intro. by McComas.