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**S 1223. NC CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION STRATEGY.** Filed 5/18/10. *TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO DEVELOP THE NORTH CAROLINA CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION STRATEGY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE.*

Directs the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) as title indicates, and lists entities DENR should work with in developing the strategy. Requires that the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy include an assessment and a plan to address impacts identified in the assessment, with respective components outlined in the act. Allows the agency to establish a technical advisory committee to assist with Strategy development. Instructs the agency to continue working with local governments to implement the Strategy after development. Calls for DENR, the universities within The University of North Carolina, and the technical advisory committee (if established) to create a public database with information related to climate change adaptation. Requires DENR to submit quarterly progress reports to the Environmental Review Commission beginning October 1, 2010, and to submit a final report, with the strategy included, by January 1, 2013. Appropriates \$50,000 for 2010-11 from the General Fund to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to implement the provisions of the act. Effective July 1, 2010.

**Intro. by Stein.**

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