

March 26, 2009

S 945. GUARDIANSHIP/JURISDICTION AND PORTABILITY (=H 705). Filed 3/25/09. *TO REVISE THE STATE'S GUARDIANSHIP STATUTES WITH RESPECT TO JURISDICTION, VENUE, PROCEDURE, APPEALS, AND PORTABILITY.*

Identical to H 705, filed 3/19/09.

Intro. by Malone.

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May 13, 2009

S 945. GUARDIANSHIP STUDY (NEW). Filed 3/25/09. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Rewrites bill to convert it to a study of guardianship laws and the relationship of those laws to laws on health care power of attorney, right to natural death, and durable power of attorney. The Joint Legislative Study Commission on State Guardianship Laws (Commission) is to consist of 19 members: four house members, four senators, Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) director, Aging Division Director, County Division of Social Services (DSS) director, clerk of court, geriatrician, attorney specializing in guardianship, Disability Rights NC representative, local director, management entity representative of the NC Mental Health Association, aging advocacy support group representative, and local public health director. Appointments made by either President of the Senate or House Speaker, except for those serving ex officio. In addition, adds ten nonvoting members from various advocacy and nonprofit groups. Specifies 22 issues for the commission to study. An interim report may be submitted to the 2010 Regular Session and a final report is due before the convening of the 2011 legislative session.