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HOUSE BILL 1119

Committee Substitute Favorable 5/12/09 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE H1119-PCS50757-RL-59

Short Title:	Study Controlled Substance Act/Sheriff.	(Public)
Sponsors:		
Referred to:		

April 7, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE A LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMITTEE ON EXPANDING ACCESS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES' CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES REPORTING SYSTEM TO INCLUDE SHERIFFS AND DEPUTY SHERIFFS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is established the Legislative Study Committee on Expanding Access to the Department of Health and Human Services' Controlled Substances Reporting System to Include Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs. The purpose of the Committee is to study whether, and under what circumstances, the Controlled Substances Reporting System maintained by the Department of Health and Human Services should be accessible to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs.

The Committee shall consist of 12 members as follows:

- (1) Six members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (2) Six members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

SECTION 2. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate one Representative as cochair, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall designate one Senator as cochair. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled by the same appointing authority that made the initial appointment.

SECTION 3. The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all the powers provided under the provisions of Articles 5 and 5A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The Committee may meet at any time upon the call of the cochairs. The Committee may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building. The Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.

SECTION 4. The Legislative Services Commission, through the Legislative Services Officer, shall assign professional staff to assist the Committee in its work. The House of Representatives' and the Senate's Director of Legislative Assistants shall assign clerical staff to the Committee, and the expenses relating to the clerical employees shall be borne by the Committee. Members of the Committee shall receive subsistence and travel expenses at the rates set forth in G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5, or 138-6, as appropriate.

SECTION 5. The Committee shall make its final report, including any legislative proposals, by the convening of the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly. The



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- 1 Committee shall terminate upon filing its final report or upon the convening of the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly, whichever is earlier.
 - **SECTION 6.** From the funds available to the General Assembly, the Legislative Services Commission may allocate monies to fund the work of the Committee.
- 5 **SECTION 7.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

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