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Short Title: LRC Study/Sexual Battery Registration. (Public) Representatives Harrison, Luebke, and Fisher (Primary Sponsors). Sponsors: Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY THE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT FOR THE OFFENSE OF SEXUAL BATTERY. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: **SECTION 1.** The Legislative Research Commission may study the current law that requires a person convicted of sexual battery to register as a sex offender. In its study the Commission may consider all of the following: Any restrictions and prohibitions that apply to a person convicted of sexual (1) battery as a result of the registration requirement. Any collateral consequences that result from a conviction of sexual battery (2) due to the registration requirement. The culpability and harm caused by other sex offenses that require (3) registration and how those compare with sexual battery and the registration requirements for that offense. Any other issue the Commission deems relevant. (4) SECTION 2. The Legislative Research Commission may submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the 2015 General Assembly, prior to the convening of the

2016 short session, by filing the report with the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2015.

