

1 G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4, including the power to request all
2 officers, agents, agencies, and departments of the State to provide any information, data, or
3 documents within their possession, ascertainable from their records, or otherwise available to
4 them.

5 **SECTION 4.** The Commission may meet at any time upon the call of the chairs. The
6 Commission may meet in the Legislative Building, the Legislative Office Building, or any other
7 location as agreed upon by the Commission. The Commission may contract for professional,
8 clerical, or consultant services as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.

9 **SECTION 5.** The Commission shall hold at least five public meetings in distinct
10 geographic regions of the State.

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

17 **SECTION 7.** The Commission shall study the following issues related to the
18 establishment of a State Infrastructure Bank:

- 19 (1) Supporting the economic development of North Carolina by increasing access
20 to capital.
- 21 (2) Providing financing for infrastructure related to housing development, public
22 works infrastructure, educational infrastructure, student loans, and community
23 quality of life projects.
- 24 (3) Providing capital for continued expansion of the State's transportation,
25 environmental, energy, and telecommunications infrastructure.
- 26 (4) Undertake a general assessment of the State's current network of public and
27 private financial resources and assess the impact on government services,
28 including public and private banking services, for the purpose of identifying
29 potential areas of State infrastructure needs.
- 30 (5) Among other resource issues, the Commission shall consider, at a minimum,
31 how a State Infrastructure Bank could be designed to generate earnings
32 beyond those necessary for continued operation of the Bank, which could be
33 used to supplement other capital resources.
- 34 (6) Examine various administrative and operational structures for organizing a
35 State Infrastructure Bank, including boards of directors, sources of deposits,
36 oversight and audit of financial activities, and guarantees of financial
37 products.
- 38 (7) Consider options for integrating a State Infrastructure Bank model into the
39 existing State financial resource network, including ideas such as lending
40 capital to banks and credit unions and whether the State Infrastructure Bank
41 should be created as a separate entity or involving, using, modifying, or
42 expanding the existing financial infrastructure or the functions of any other
43 State agency.
- 44 (8) The manner in which the State Infrastructure Bank should be regulated to
45 protect the safety and soundness of the institution and to avoid conflicts of
46 interest that could arise from State or federal regulation of the Bank.
- 47 (9) The extent to which the State Infrastructure Bank should be allowed to
48 compete with banking establishments operating in North Carolina.
- 49 (10) The oversight of the State Infrastructure Bank to protect the interests of the
50 State and the rights of individuals and entities that may access the products or
51 services, or both, of the Bank.

1 (11) An outline of transition actions necessary for establishing the State
2 Infrastructure Bank.

3 **SECTION 8.** The Commission may make an interim report, including any legislative
4 recommendations, to the 2023 General Assembly, 2024 Regular Session, prior to its convening
5 and shall submit a final report, including any legislative recommendations, by the end of the 2024
6 Regular Session of the General Assembly. The Commission shall terminate on December 31,
7 2024, or upon the filing of its final report, whichever occurs first.

8 **SECTION 9.** This act is effective when it becomes law.