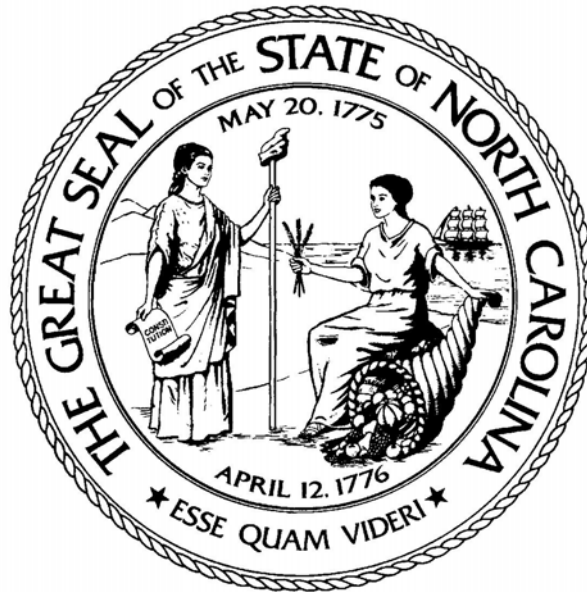


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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the General Assembly

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RE: Legislative Commissions, Non-Standing Committees, Interim Studies

This document contains lists of all permanent legislative commissions and non-standing committees and all studies authorized or directed to be undertaken by all the sessions of the 2005-6 General Assembly. The listing includes not only studies undertaken by legislative bodies, but also those directed to be undertaken by other agencies of State government.

Permanent commissions, committees, and other bodies of the executive and judicial branches are not included in this publication. For memberships of and information on other existing *permanent* executive and judicial agencies, please contact Ms. Cathy Martin, our Legislative Librarian, at 919.733.9390 or Ms. Sara Haire, the Governor's Director of Boards and Commissions, at 919.715.0966.

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We hope that the publication will aid you and your constituents in rapidly getting accurate information on matters of government policy. Your comments on and suggestions for improvement as to this publication, as well as other Research Division efforts, are solicited and always appreciated.

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PREFACE

For ease of use this publication is divided into two parts, 'Studies and Reports', and 'Study Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces'. Each part is color coded to assist the user.

Part I, printed on yellow paper, is 'Studies and Reports'. This is a subject listing of each of the studies and reports authorized or undertaken by the 2005 General Assembly, or that are due during this biennium. Entries are arranged by subject, or study title, and include: references to the legal authority of the study or report; the commission, committee, task force or agency from which the report is due; when the report is due; and to whom it is to be made. A contact name is provided for agencies and statutory commissions when available. Legislative committee or commission contact information can be found in Part II under the listing for that committee.

Part II, printed on green paper, is 'Study Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces'. This is an alphabetical listing by title of each commission, committee, or task force directed or authorized to conduct the study listed in the first (yellow) part of this publication. Each entry includes: the establishing legal authority; reporting requirements when applicable; scope of duties; additional studies assigned or referred; and, for legislative commissions and committees, the membership appointed to date along with their names, addresses and telephone numbers, and committee staff and their telephone numbers.

A comprehensive index is provided for additional access points.

The reader is also directed to the Research Division publication *Studies & Reports Directed or Authorized by the 2006 NC General Assembly*.

NOTE: Please be aware that, when possible, the 'Scope' of a study given is the complete text from the bill or document creating the study, however, for studies having a long or detailed description the 'scope' may only represent a summary of the study's purpose. Please consult the authority given for the official language.

The Editor.

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PART I : STUDIES & REPORTS BY SUBJECT

ABANDONED CEMETERIES

Authority: Letter of 02-10-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Study Committee on Abandoned Cemeteries
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Interim report by May 1, 2006, and final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall review existing statutes relating to cemeteries, make recommendations to the GA concerning new statutes, and assist the Dept. of Cultural Resources in its efforts to collect information on abandoned cemeteries.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ABANDONED MOBILE HOME

Authority: SL2006-248 §8.3(a)-(b), HB 1723.
Report by: Environmental Review Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study issues related to abandoned manufactured homes. May establish a subcommittee to facilitate the study.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

ABCS OF PUBLIC EDUCATION INCENTIVE AWARD STRUCTURE

Authority: SL2006-66 §7.6(c), SB 1741.
Report by: State Board of Education
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report due: Preliminary report by December 15, 2006.
Scope: Shall review the incentive award structure described in this section to ensure that extraordinary performance is rewarded. In addition, the Board shall determine whether the relationship between awards for teachers and teacher assistants and the Board's strategic priorities is appropriate.
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Legislative Liaison
(919) 807-4035

ACCREDITATION OF RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES FEASIBILITY

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.35A(a), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: March 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of establishing accreditation requirements for residential treatment facilities.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

ADD WESLEYAN COLLEGE TO UNC SYSTEM

Authority: SL2006-66 §9.4(a), SB 1741.
Report by: UNC Board of Governors
Report to: Not specified
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of making North Carolina Wesleyan College a constituent institution of The University of North Carolina.
Contact: Andy Willis
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ADDITIONAL SURETIES FOR PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITIES ORDINANCES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(k), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

ADMINISTRATIVE AND JUDICIAL REVIEW OF TAX CASES

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.3, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study the administrative and judicial review of tax cases.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS FOR DISPUTED TAX MATTERS

Authority: SL2006-196 §13, HB 1891.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: Not specified
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Shall study the administrative process for the review of disputed tax matters.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ADVOCACY PROGRAMS

Authority: SL2005-276 §19.1, SB 622.
Report by: Department of Administration
Report to: Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, and Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees.
Report due: April 1, 2006
Scope: Shall continue the study completed during 2003-2004 of the functions of the advocacy programs that are housed in the Department of Administration to determine the appropriate

organizational placement of the programs within State government. The study shall also consider whether the functions of the programs could be more efficiently and effectively performed by an appropriate nonprofit organization.

Contact: Liaison for Productivity and Legislative Affairs
(919) 807-2340

AGENCY INTERNAL AUDITORS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

AGRIBUSINESS ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

Authority: SL2006-66 §12.7(b), SB 1741.
Report by: Department of Commerce
Report to: House Appropriations Committee on Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, Senate Appropriations Committee on Natural and Economic Resources, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: No later than May 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall, in collaboration with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, evaluate the use of economic incentive programs designed specifically for agribusinesses, and shall include its findings in the report. The report shall also include a plan to implement economic incentive programs designed specifically for agribusinesses and the estimated cost of the programs.
Contact: Don Hobart, General Counsel and Liaison
Department of Commerce
(919) 733-3448

ALCOHOL AND DRUG EDUCATION TRAFFIC (ADET) SCHOOLS

Authority: SL2004-197 §4, HB 1356.
Report by: Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the certification requirements for persons conducting alcohol and drug education traffic schools, and the adequacy of the fee paid to the treatment facility or school by a client for receiving treatment or education. Expansion of 'Substance abuse services assessing agencies' study under SL2003-396 §2.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG EDUCATION TRAFFIC (ADET) SCHOOLS OUTCOMES

Authority: SL2005-312 §4, HB 35.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
Report due: Initial report no later than December 31, 2007, and every two years thereafter.
Scope: Shall establish an outcomes evaluation study on the effectiveness of substance abuse services provided to persons who obtain a certificate of completion under G.S. 20-17.6 as a

condition for restoration of a driver's license.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

ALTERNATIVE FUNDING FOR INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Authority: SL2005-276 §13.6A, SB 622.
Report by: Department of Commerce and Industrial Commission
Report to: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources, Office of State Budget and Management, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: April 1, 2006
Scope: Shall conduct a study to determine the feasibility of terminating General Fund support for the Industrial Commission and providing for the costs of the Commission's operations and personnel by increasing the Commission's existing fees or establishing new fees.
Contact: Don Hobart, General Counsel and Liaison
Department of Commerce
(919) 733-3448

ALTERNATIVES TO STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR UNC

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.9, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the alternatives to the State Health Plan for UNC.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ANIMAL WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS

Authority: SL2006-38 §2, SB 1598.
Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Report to: Environmental Review Commission
Report due: On or before November 15, 2006.
Scope: Shall evaluate the training and qualification requirements for approval as an animal waste management systems technical specialist pursuant to G.S. 139-4(d)(11) to determine whether the current approval process ensures an appropriate level of knowledge and expertise to provide services related to the development, implementation, or operation of an animal waste management plan or animal waste management system. In conducting the study, the Department shall obtain input from representatives of interested parties, including the North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Professional Engineers of North Carolina, Inc., the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture, the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, and other organizations.
Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
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ANNEXATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

APPLIED FURNITURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Authority: Letter of 04-26-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Joint Study Committee on the North Carolina Center for Applied Furniture Technology
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May make an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall make a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the following: the North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology and its role in supporting the textile industry.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

APPROPRIATE EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS ON LONG-TERM SUSPENSION

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.16, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study whether to and to what extent NC should mandate certain actions/policies for students on long-term suspension.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

APPROPRIATE EDUCATION FOR SUSPENDED STUDENTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.8, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the issues concerning appropriate education for suspended students.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ATTRACTING TEACHERS TO BECOME COACHES

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.9, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study the need to attract teachers into assuming additional duties of coaching interscholastic athletic teams in middle and high schools. Shall consider the feasibility of establishing a coaching fellowship program to attract students preparing to enter teaching through higher education coursework into coaching.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

AUTISM, LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND FIRST RESPONDERS

Authority: Letter of 11-21-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Joint Study Committee on Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Law Enforcement, Public Safety, and First Responders
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim report by May 1, 2006, and final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the inclusion of autism-specific training and education in public safety training as well as in-service training in the CJE and Training Standards Commission Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) and the Community College System Public Safety and First Responder Continuing Education.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

BAN CELL PHONE USE WHILE DRIVING

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

BANKING LAWS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

BENEFICIAL USES OF INDUSTRIAL HEMP

Authority: SL2006-248 § 55.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Study Commission on the Beneficial Uses of Industrial Hemp
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall make a final report by December 1, 2006
Description: The Commission shall study the many beneficial industrial uses of industrial hemp, including the use of industrial hemp oil as an alternative fuel and the use of industrial hemp fiber in construction and paper products. The Commission shall examine the economic opportunities industrial hemp provides to the State and consider the desirability and feasibility of authorizing industrial hemp cultivation and production as a farm product in North Carolina.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION AND DEPENDENT SURVIVORS OF TSERS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

BILL LEE ACT AND JOB DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM

Authority: SL2005-241 §8, HB 1004.
Report by: Joint Legislative Economic Development Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Before the beginning of the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session.
Scope: Shall complete a comprehensive study of Article 3A of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes (the Bill Lee Act) and the Job Development Investment Grant Program (JDIG) established

under Part 2G of Article 10 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes. The study shall focus on comprehensive reform of the Bill Lee Act, JDIG, and related economic development incentives.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COUNCILS

Authority: SL2006-248 § 39.1, HB 1723.

Report by: Study Commission on State Boards, Commissions, and Councils

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: The Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any legislative recommendations, to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Description: The Commission shall examine the organization, powers, duties, functions, and funding of State boards, commissions, and councils.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

BROAD AGE AND DISABILITIES CATEGORIES APPROPRIATIONS

Authority: SL2006-32 §3, HB 2120.

Report by: Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2007 General Assembly 2007 Regular Session

Scope: Shall study whether G.S.122C-147.1 should be amended to modify or repeal the provisions that place funds appropriated by the General Assembly into broad age and disability categories.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

BUDGET PRACTICES

Authority: SL2003-284 §6.2A(a), HB 397.

Report by: Office of State Budget and Management

Report to: House Appropriations Committee, and Senate Appropriations Committee.

Report due: Not specified

Scope: In consultation with the State Controller, shall conduct a review and evaluation of current practices relative to: nonreverting funds and accounts; designation of "off budget" funds; sources of authority for expenditures from special funds, trust funds, internal service funds, and enterprise funds; classification and management of said funds; appropriate budget planning within these funds; and administration of G.S. 143-27. Where the review/evaluation reveals problems or failures the Office shall report its findings and recommendations.

Contact: Charles Perusse, Deputy State Budget Director
Office of State Budget and Management
(919) 807-4700

CABIN LAKE STATE PARK FEASIBILITY

Authority: SL2006-138 §3, HB 2127.

Report by: Division of Parks and Recreation, DENR

Report to: Environmental Review Commission

Report due: On or before January 15, 2007.

Scope: Shall study the feasibility and the desirability of acquiring land and establishing a State Park at Cabin Lake.
Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
DENR
(919) 715-4189

CABLE VIDEO/BROADBAND SERVICE STATE FRANCHISE IMPACT

Authority: SL2006-151 §21, HB 2047.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Ongoing review. First report due to the 2008 General Assembly
Scope: Must review the effect Article 42 of Chapter 66 of the General Statutes, as enacted by this act, has on the issues listed in this section to determine if any changes to the law are needed: (1) Competition in video programming services. (2) The number of cable service subscribers, the price of cable service by service tier, and the technology used to deliver the service. (3) The deployment of broadband in the State. The Committee must review the impact of this Article on these issues every two years and report its findings to the North Carolina General Assembly.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

Authority: Letter of 11-14-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Senate Study Committee on Campaign Finance Laws
Report to: Senate
Report due: No later than December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study possible changes to campaign finance laws, considering in its study the following: (1) Disclosure requirements or other regulations pertaining to legal assistance funds for candidates, elected officials, political committees and other organizations engaged in campaign-related or political activities; (2) Clarifying definitions and regulations of political committees that engage in express advocacy for the purposes of clarifying disclosure requirements; (3) At the discretion of the chair, any other measures designed to improve the electoral process.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Study Committee on Capital Punishment
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: January 23, 2007.
Scope: May study all aspects of capital punishment.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS STANDARDS AND PLANS IMPLEMENTATION

Authority: SL2002-4 §13, SB 1078.
Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Air Quality
Report to: Environmental Management Commission and Environmental Review Commission
Report due: Interim findings by September 1, 2003 and final findings and recommendations no later than September 1, 2005.

Scope: Shall study issues related to the development and implementation of standards and plans to implement programs to control emissions of carbon dioxide from coal-fired generating units and other stationary sources of air pollution.

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CHANGES IN EDUCATION DISTRICTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.2, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to population changes in education districts.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CHAPTER 20 (MOTOR VEHICLE ACT) CONSOLIDATION

Authority: SL2001-491 §26.1, SB 166.
Report by: General Statutes Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2003 General Assembly and 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study renumbering, rearranging, and consolidating the provisions of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

CHAPTER 24 EXEMPTIONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(h), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

CHILD CARE MATCHING FUNDS

Authority: SL2006-66 §10.36(b), SB 1741.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: No later than April 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall evaluate the fifteen percent (15%) local matching requirement to determine its effect on local purchasing agencies and whether the matching requirement should be adjusted.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
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(919) 733-4534

CHILD CARE SUBSIDY REIMBURSEMENT SYSTEM

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.66(a), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.

Report due: April 30, 2006
Scope: Shall conduct an analysis of the child care subsidy reimbursement system.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

CHILD EYE EXAMS

Authority: SL2006-240 §2(c), HB 2699.
Report by: Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Governor's Commission on Early Childhood Education, Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Not later than July 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study and determine the methodology of compiling data on the number of children who received comprehensive eye examinations, the types of problems found, and treatments provided.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.4, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the impact of indirect costs associated with the child nutrition services program.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE

Authority: SL2006-248 §48.1, HB 1723
Report by: Chronic Kidney Disease Task Force
Report to: General Assembly, and to the chairs of the Senate Health Committee, the House of Representatives Health Committee, the House Aging Committee, and the Governor.
Report due: If convened shall submit its interim report and recommendations to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening,. The final report shall be submitted no later than the convening of the 2008 General Assembly.
Scope: If the Task Force is convened, it shall develop a plan to: (1) Reduce the occurrence of chronic kidney disease by controlling the most common risk factors, diabetes and hypertension, through preventive efforts at the community level and disease management efforts in the primary care setting. (2) Educate the public and health care professionals about the advantages and methods of early screening, diagnosis, and treatment of chronic kidney disease and its complications based on Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative Clinical Practice Guidelines for chronic kidney disease or other medically recognized clinical practice guidelines. (3) Educate health care professionals about early renal replacement therapy education for patients (including in center dialysis, home hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis as well as vascular access options and transplantation) prior to the onset of ESRD when kidney function is declining. (4) Make recommendations on the implementation of a cost effective plan for prevention, early screening, diagnosis,

and treatment of chronic kidney disease and its complications for the State's population. (5) Identify current barriers to adoption of best practices and potential policy options to address these barriers.

Contact: See Task Force listing in Part II of this volume.

CIVICS EDUCATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.17, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to civics education.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CLASS SIZE FUNDING FORMULA FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.5, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the need to weight the class-size funding formula to accommodate the learning needs of special populations of children.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CLEVELAND CORRECTIONAL CENTER CONVERSION TO MINIMUM SECURITY

Authority: SL2005-276 §17.18, SB 622.
Report by: Department of Correction
Report to: Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees, and Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety
Report due: April 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of converting Cleveland Correctional Center from medium custody to minimum custody or operating a medium custody facility with a minimum custody component. The Department shall also study the feasibility of expanding Cleveland Correctional Center as a medium or minimum custody facility, or some combination of the two. The Department shall conduct a cost analysis of expansion options, including a determination of possible savings by using inmate labor to assist with construction.
Contact: Legislative Liaison
Department of Correction
(919) 716-3700

CLOSE ACHIEVEMENT GAP

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.7, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study the best practices and methodologies for closing the achievement gap among children of various demographic groups who are performing below grade level.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS REIMBURSEMENT SYSTEM

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.20(a), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Report on development of new system by May 1, 2006, and full implementation of new system by January 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study developing a new system for reimbursing the Community Alternatives Program.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FOR DISABLED ADULTS

Authority: SL2006-109, SB 1276.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Study Commission on Aging
Report due: On or before August 30, 2007.
Scope: Shall examine the Community Alternatives Program for Disabled Adults (CAP/DA) in response to issues identified in the Medicaid Institutional Bias Study.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

COMMUNITY COLLEGE TUITION RECIPROCITY

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.12, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues relating to community college tuition reciprocity with other states.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

COMMUNITY CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Authority: SL2006-78 §5, HB 2129.
Report by: Community Conservation Assistance Program Advisory Committee
Report to: Speaker of the House, President Pro Tem of the Senate, Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, Fiscal Research Division, and Environmental Review Commission.
Report due: No later than March 31, 2007.
Scope: Shall review the Program prior to expenditure of any funds from the Program.
Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
DENR
(919) 715-4189

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER, RURAL HEALTH CENTER FUNDING

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.9(d), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Upon the convening of the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session
Scope: Shall work with the NC Community Health Center Association and NC Public Health Association to study and present recommendations for continuing funds to support the expansion of community health centers, State-designated rural health centers, and public health departments to serve more of the State's uninsured and indigent population.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.5, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the need for community health centers, including federally qualified health centers, health centers that meet the criteria for federally qualified health centers, and State-designated rural health centers and public health departments. The Committee shall also study the need for and funding of free clinics, such as W.A.T.C.H. in NC.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

COMPENSATION OF STATE ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Authority: SL2006-248 §22.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Compensation of State Elected and Appointed Officials Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: Shall study the matters that impact compensation and benefits for State elected and appointed officials.
The following State elected and appointed officials shall be included in the study by the Commission: the Governor and Lieutenant Governor; the Council of State; the Governors Cabinet; Members of the General Assembly; Justices of the Supreme Court, Judges of the Court of Appeals, Judges of the Superior Court, and Judges of the District Court.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

Authority: Letter of 02-23-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Complementary and Alternative Medicine
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Interim report by May 1, 2006, and final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study : types of complementary and alternative health care services currently being offered and used in North Carolina; ways to remove current restrictions and facilitate access of consumers to complementary and alternative health care practitioners who are providing health care services not currently covered by existing medical licensing laws; the impact of Health Freedom legislation in other states including Oklahoma, Minnesota, Rhode Island, California, and Idaho; and any other matter that the Committee deems appropriate or

necessary to provide proper information to the General Assembly on the subject of the study.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

COMPUTER-BASED MATH AND LITERACY PROGRAMS

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.15, SB 1152.

Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2005 General Assembly

Scope: May study ways to improve math and literacy skills in children age 18 months to six years through the use of innovative computer-based software.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS STEWARDSHIP

Authority: SL2005-276 §6.22, SB 622.

Report by: Clean Water Management Trust Fund Board of Trustees

Report to: Environmental Review Commission

Report due: December 1, 2005

Scope: Shall study management and stewardship of conservation easements.

Contact: Executive Director

Clean Water Management Trust Fund
(919) 733-6375

CONSOLIDATED CORPORATE RETURNS

Authority: SL2006-196 §13, HB 1891.

Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee

Report to: Not specified

Report due: Not specified

Scope: Shall study the authority of the Secretary of Revenue to require taxpayers to file consolidated returns. The study of this issue may include consideration of whether the State should require some corporations or all corporations to file a consolidated return.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CONSTRUCTION COST THRESHOLD REQUIREMENT FOR A GENERAL CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

CONSTRUCTION INDEMNITY AGREEMENT ISSUES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

CONSUMER CREDIT COUNSELING

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(d), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT POLICIES

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.9, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study policies related to corporal punishment.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

COORDINATION OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Authority: SL2005-276 §20.25(i), SB 622.
Report by: Coordination of Children's Services Study Commission
Report to: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Annually on April 1.
Scope: To study and recommend changes to improve collaboration and coordination among agencies that provide services to children, youth, and families with multiple service needs. Recommendations shall include mechanisms for establishing clear State leadership, consistent policy direction, and increased accountability at the State and local levels.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

CORPORATE INCOME AND FRANCHISE TAX REPLACED WITH COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY TAX

Authority: SL2006-196 §13, HB 1891.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: Not specified
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of replacing the State's current corporate income and franchise tax laws with a commercial activity tax based upon business gross receipts.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

CORRECTIONS UNIT MANAGEMENT STAFFING

Authority: SL2005-276 §17.17, SB 622.
Report by: Department of Correction
Report to: Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety, and the Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee.
Report due: March 1, 2006
Scope: Shall conduct an organizational and staffing study on unit management in the State prison system, focusing on the 18 prison facilities that use unit management. The Department shall review workload and staffing at each of the prisons and make recommendations for staffing changes and staffing efficiencies. The study shall consider the responsibilities and workloads of custody supervisors and program staff in relation to unit managers and determine whether certain functions should be the responsibility of custody supervisors or program staff.

Contact: Legislative Liaison
Department of Correction
(919) 716-3700

COST CONTROL OF MEDICAL SERVICES FOR PERSONS IN LOCAL CONFINEMENT FACILITIES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

COST OF DISPENSING A MEDICAID PRESCRIPTION

Authority: SL2006-248 §44, HB 1723.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Not later than March 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall conduct a survey of pharmacy providers participating in the Medicaid program to determine the cost of dispensing a Medicaid prescription in North Carolina. In place of the survey, the Department of Health and Human Services may use a recently conducted national survey of a statistically relevant sample of pharmacies.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

COSTS AND BENEFITS OF REDUCING EMISSIONS OF OXIDES OF NITROGEN, PARTICULATE MATTER, AND GREENHOUSE GASES FROM MOTOR VEHICLES

Authority: SL2006-248 §43, HB 1723.
Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Air Quality
Report to: Environmental Review Commission, and Legislative Commission on Global Climate Change.
Report due: Shall submit an interim report no later than January 15, 2007, and a final report no later than April 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study the costs and benefits of reducing emissions of oxides of nitrogen, particulate matter, and greenhouse gases from motor vehicles in this State. In particular, the Division shall evaluate the desirability and air quality benefits of adopting motor vehicle emissions standards adopted in other states.
Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
DENR
(919) 715-4189

COUNCIL OF STATE CONTESTED ELECTIONS

Authority: G.S. 163-182.13A; SL2005-3 §3(a), SB 82.
Report by: Joint Select Committee on Council of State Contested Elections
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly 2005 Regular Session
Scope: To resolve the disputed election for the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

COUNTIES AS PROVIDERS OF MH,DD,SA SERVICES

Authority: SL2006-142 §4(1), HB 2077.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
Report due: By December 1, 2009.
Scope: Shall study the effect of G.S. 122C-141(d).
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

COURT FEES AND FUNDS COLLECTION BY ELECTRONIC AND ONLINE PAYMENT

Authority: SL2005-276 §14.5, SB 622.
Report by: Judicial Department
Report to: Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety
Report due: May 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of implementing electronic and online payment options for court fees and other funds collected by the courts. The study shall address the estimated costs and time frame for implementing electronic payment as well as any necessary legislative changes. The report shall specifically evaluate the feasibility and cost of requiring all court-ordered payments to be entered into the Department's financial management system, and shall provide for options for ensuring that this data is entered, including information systems enhancements that will allow fields to be automatically populated from the court information system into the financial management system.
Contact: Alison Flerl, Communications Officer
Judicial Department
(919) 715-4910

COURT RECORDS AUTOMATION

Authority: SL2005-356 §4, HB 569.
Report by: Administrative Office of the Courts
Report to: Joint Legislative Committee on Domestic Violence, and North Carolina Courts Commission.
Report due: January 1, 2007
Scope: Shall study the automation of court records to allow queries on civil, criminal, and juvenile matters.
Contact: Alison Flerl, Communications Officer
Judicial Department
(919) 715-4910

CREDIT ENHANCEMENT SERVICES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

CREDIT REPORT IDENTITY THEFT

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

CRIMINAL OFFENDER TRACKING

Authority: SL2005-356 §2, HB 569.
Report by: Administrative Office of the Courts
Report to: Joint Legislative Committee on Domestic Violence, and Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee.
Report due: July 1, 2006
Scope: In consultation with the Department of Correction, Division of Community Corrections, shall study and review programs in this State, and other states, that utilize Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) technology to track criminal offenders. May make recommendations for a pilot GPS program as a condition for pretrial release. The recommendations shall include whether the alleged victim of the charged offense should have a receiver for immediate and direct notification of a GPS tracking violation by the defendant.
Contact: Alison Flerl, Communications Officer
Judicial Department
(919) 715-4910

CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS FEE ADJUSTMENT

Authority: SL2005-276 §15.5(B), SB 622.
Report by: Office of State Budget and Management
Report to: Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety, and Fiscal Research Division
Report due: March 1, 2006
Scope: In consultation with the Department of Justice, shall study the feasibility of adjusting the fees charged for criminal records checks conducted by the Division of Criminal Information of the Department of Justice as a result of the increase in receipts from criminal records checks. The study shall include and assessment of the Division's operational, personnel, and overhead costs related to providing criminal records checks and how those costs have changed since the prior fiscal year.
Contact: Charles Perusse, Deputy State Budget Director
Office of State Budget and Management
(919) 807-4700

DAY CARE AND RELATED PROGRAMS

Authority: SL2006-248 §56.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Legislative Study Commission on Day Care and Related Programs
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall make a final report by December 31, 2006.
Description: Shall study all of the following:

- (1) Assess the shortfalls and benefits of the various day care and related programs.
- (2) Consider needed adjustments, and possible program consolidations, and the necessary reprioritization of funds to realize the maximum benefit to the State's children and families.
- (3) Consider how day care and related programs affect economic development today and in the future.
- (4) Review any other matter that the Commission finds relevant to its charge.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

DEDICATED FUNDING SOURCES FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT

Authority: SL2006-248 §4.4, HB 1723.
 Report by: Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
 Report to: General Assembly
 Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
 Scope: May study the feasibility of a dedicated funding source for public transit and alternative forms of transportation.
 Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

DENTAL SCHOOL AT ECU

Authority: SL2006-66 §23.11(a)-(b), SB 1741.
 Report by: UNC Board of Governors
 Report to: Not specified
 Report due: Not specified
 Scope: Conduct a study regarding the feasibility of establishing a School of Dentistry at East Carolina University and the impact that the School would have on the other dental programs provided by The University of North Carolina. May contract with a private consultant to conduct the feasibility study.
 Contact: Andy Willis
 VP for Government Relations University Affairs
 (919) 962-7096

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION BUDGET

Authority: SL2006-248 §50.1, HB 1723.
 Report by: Legislative Study Commission on the Budget of the Department of Public Instruction
 Report to: General Assembly
 Report due: Shall report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
 Scope: In performing a zero-based budget review of the Department of Public Instruction, the Commission shall include all of the following: (1) Consider the mission and goals of the Department. (2) Evaluate the mission and goals of the Department. (3) Evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of the Department of Public Instruction in furthering the missions and goals of the Department, including any proposed revisions. (4) Evaluate each program within the Department. (5) Assess the activities performed in each program. (6) Determine the level of funding and staff necessary to accomplish the goals and missions of the Department.
 Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

DIFFICULT TO PLACE CHILDREN ADOPTION INCENTIVES

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.49, SB 622.
 Report by: Department of Health and Human Services

Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: October 1, 2005
Scope: Shall conduct a study to identify potential incentives for adoption of children who are difficult to place and the associated costs for each incentive. The study shall identify incentives currently in place in individual counties and the associated costs. The study shall identify funding sources available to support each incentive.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

DISADVANTAGED MINORITY-OWNED AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES PROGRAM

Authority: G.S.120-270; SL2006-261 §5, HB 1827.
Report by: Joint Legislative Commission on the Department of Transportation Disadvantaged Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Businesses Program
Scope: The Commission shall: (1) Monitor the implementation, and assess and evaluate the effectiveness, of the Department of Transportation program under G.S. 136-28.4. (2) Review the strategies the Department of Transportation plans to use to implement the requirements of G.S. 136-28.4. (3) Develop recommendations for submittal to the Department of Transportation or the General Assembly to improve the program under G.S. 136-28.4.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS BY HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS

Authority: SL2006-144 §10(d), HB 1301.
Report by: North Carolina Medical Board
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Prior to convening of the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall examine the provisions of G.S. 90-14.13 and may develop policies or guidance governing the reporting requirements of that section. The Medical Board may recommend additional legislation, if necessary, to implement these policies
Contact: Dale G Breaden, Director
Public Affairs Department
NC Medical Board
(919) 326-1100

DISTANCE EDUCATION

Authority: SL2005-276 §9.7, SB 622.
Report by: Office of State Budget and Management
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report due: April 30, 2006
Scope: Shall conduct a study to identify and analyze the distance education programs at the institutions in the University System. The study shall identify any duplication in course and program offerings, leader courses and programs at campuses in a particular area of study, costs of developing online courses, and determine which campuses are best suited to offer a particular course or program of study.
Contact: Charles Perusse, Deputy State Budget Director
Office of State Budget and Management
(919) 807-4700

DNA TESTING AND ANALYSIS COSTS

Authority: SL2005-276 §15.8, SB 622.
Report by: Office of State Budget and Management
Report to: Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees, Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: March 1, 2006
Scope: In consultation with the Department of Justice, shall study the cost of testing and analyzing DNA samples. The study shall include all of the following: a determination of the unit cost for analyzing a rape kit and a comparison of that cost with the unit cost for the same analysis when performed by other labs, both public and private; a comparison of the amount of funds and length of time required to eliminate the backlog of rape kits using private labs versus the SBI crime lab; and a survey of the funding sources used by other states for their DNA testing and analysis lab costs.
Contact: Charles Perusse, Deputy State Budget Director
Office of State Budget and Management
(919) 807-4700

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Authority: G.S. 120-265, SL2005-356, HB 569.
Report by: Joint Legislative Committee on Domestic Violence
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May make interim reports on matters for which it may report to a regular session of the General Assembly.
Scope: Shall examine, on a continuing basis, domestic violence issues in order to make ongoing recommendations to the General Assembly on ways to reduce incidences of domestic violence and to provide additional assistance to victims of domestic violence.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMBINED FUNDING SOURCES FEASIBILITY

Authority: SL2006-66 §17.1, SB 1741.
Report by: Council for Women and Domestic Violence Commission
Report to: Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on General Government, and Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
Report due: By February 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall examine the feasibility of combining the funding sources to distribute domestic violence grants and sexual assault grants.
Contact: Teresa Pell, Executive Director
Council for Women/Domestic Violence Commission
(919) 733-2455

DOROTHEA DIX PROPERTY

Authority: SL2003-314 § 3.4(a), HB 684; SL2004-124 §10.26A, HB 1414; SL2005-7, HB 857; SL2006-248 §52, HB 1723.
Report by: Dorothea Dix Hospital Property Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Upon filing of final report, due date of which is not specified.
Scope: Shall study the sale of Dorothea Dix campus property no longer needed by the hospital and not transferred to another agency and make recommendations on options for sale of the property to the Governmental Operations Commission before any sale.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

DOROTHEA DIX PROPERTY COMPLEMENTARY USES

Authority: SL2006-248 §21, HB 1723; SL2006-66 §23.10(d), SB 1741.
Report by: Dorothea Dix Hospital Property Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: January 31, 2007.
Scope: Shall study and make recommendations regarding the following: (1) Balancing complementary public uses of open space, the adaptive re-use of existing facilities, and continued support for mental health services. (2) The financial feasibility of the various uses. (3) An assessment of financial mechanisms for the implementation and maintenance of the various uses. (4) Administrative or governance structures to implement the uses.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

DROP-IN/SHORT-TERM CHILD CARE

Authority: SL2005-416 §3.1, HB 1517.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: April 30, 2006
Scope: In coordination with other child care stakeholder organizations and advocates, shall study current policies, practices, and laws related to drop-in and short-term care and baby sitting services and shall make recommendations to ensure the health and safety of children who utilize this type care.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

DRUG TREATMENT COURTS

Authority: SL2006-32, SL2006-187 §8, HB 1848 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

DRUG TREATMENT COURTS

Authority: SL2006-32 §4, HB 2120.
Report by: Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly 2007 Regular Session.
Scope: Shall study drug treatment courts in North Carolina. The study shall include the following issues in relation to drug treatment courts: (1) Funding mechanisms; (2) Target populations; (3) Interagency collaboration at the State and local levels; and (4) Any other matter that the Commissions deem appropriate or necessary to provide proper information to the General Assembly on the subject of the study.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

DWI PENALTIES FOR PERSON UNDER 21

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

EARLY LITERACY PROJECT INCORPORATION IN MORE AT FOUR

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.67(g), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development
Report to: Not specified
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Shall review and evaluate the early literacy project in Davie County and consider incorporation of this curriculum into the "More at Four" program.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

ECOLOGICAL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM MERGER WITH CLEAN WATER MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND

Authority: SL2006-248 §16, HB 1723.
Report by: Environmental Review Commission and Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly
Scope: Shall jointly study the merger of the organization and functions of the Ecological Enhancement Program with the Clean Water Management Trust Fund.
Contact: See Committee and Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Authority: Letter of 03-06-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Economic Development
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006
Scope: May study all aspects of economic development programs.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INFRASTRUCTURE

Authority: SL2006-248 §27.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Study Commission on Economic Development Infrastructure
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall submit a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: The Commission shall examine the existing infrastructure for the delivery of economic development, including the many entities involved in economic development. The Commission shall develop a plan to restructure and consolidate the infrastructure for the delivery of economic development to improve its organization and effectiveness.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

EDUCATION FACILITY FINANCING

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.15, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to education facility financing.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Authority: Letter of 12-01-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Education of Students With Disabilities
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: December 31, 2006
Scope: Shall study and recommend revisions to the general statutes governing the education of students with disabilities.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

EFFECTIVENESS OF THE STATE PURCHASING AND CONTRACT SYSTEM

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(i), and 2.1(o), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

ELIMINATION OF LONGEVITY PAY

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Authority: SL2002-180 §15.1, SB 98.
Report by: Statewide Emergency Preparedness Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May make interim reports to the 2003 General Assembly, final report to the 2005 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the delivery of emergency medical services in the State: examining the State Trauma System funding; legal, administrative, logistical, and other impediments to trauma care; ways of improving trauma care; State readiness to handle trauma from massive disasters; and other related matters.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Authority: Letter of 02-03-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Joint Study Committee on Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Management Recovery
Report to: General Assembly

Report due: May make an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and a final report by December 31, 2006
Scope: Shall study issues related to emergency preparedness and disaster management recovery.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

EMINENT DOMAIN POWERS

Authority: Letter of 12-08-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Eminent Domain Powers
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the use of the power of eminent domain by local governments and other entities of the State
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

EMPLOYEE WORK INCENTIVES UNDER THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION ACT

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

ENERGY AND FUEL COSTS

Authority: Letter of 12-30-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Joint Select Committee on Energy and Fuel Costs
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: On or before February 1, 2006.
Scope: Shall examine and review: petroleum market; motor fuel tax rate and revenue allocation; comparison of taxes in southern states; impact of any proposed changes on transportation, project delivery, consumption behavior; home heating fuel taxes; impact of petroleum market on home heating fuel costs; public assistance for home heating fuel costs; and impact of changes in home heating fuel costs.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ENERGY AND WATER CONSERVATION IN STATE FACILITIES

Authority: SL2006-206 §4.1, SB 2051.
Report by: Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: No later than February 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study the following: (1) The role of repair and renovation investments and related costs in reducing energy and water use in existing State-owned facilities by twenty percent (20%) by January 1, 2012. (2) The construction and design of new facilities, facility additions, and facility renovations with the goal of reducing energy and water use by twenty percent (20%) by January 1, 2012. (3) The State's method of funding and planning capital projects to improve the integration of long-term operating costs, such as energy and water use, into the design of State facilities. (4) The State's method of funding utility costs for State facilities and whether this method of funding creates adequate incentives for State departments, agencies, and institutions to reduce energy and water use, thereby reducing the State's utility costs. (5) The costs and benefits of constructing green buildings, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified buildings, building commissioning, and other design and construction techniques when constructing new State-owned facilities, facility additions, and facility renovations. (6) The relationship of guaranteed energy savings contracts to the State's investment in State-owned capital

facilities. (7) Any other issue the Committee determines is pertinent to the reduction of energy and water use in State-owned facilities.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ENERGY EMERGENCY/CRISIS REVIEW

Authority: SL2006-221 §18, SB 198.

Report by: State Energy Office

Report to: Joint Study Committee on Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Management Recovery

Report due: November 1, 2006.

Scope: Shall study the State's ability to respond adequately to an energy emergency or crisis and shall update the North Carolina Energy Emergency Plan consistent with the findings of its study and with the findings of the Joint Study Committee on Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Management Recovery.

Contact: Liaison for Productivity and Legislative Affairs
Department of Administration
(919) 807-2340

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Authority: SL2006-244 §5(a), SB 353.

Report by: Joint Select Committee on Environmental Justice

Report to: General Assembly and the Environmental Review Commission

Report due: The Committee shall report on or before 1 February 2007.

Scope:: The Committee shall study the location of landfills in the State, the impacts that landfills located in proximity to minority and low-income communities have on these communities with regard to human health, the environment, and economic development. Factors, including economic factors, that may have caused landfills to be concentrated in minority and low-income communities in the State. Past enforcement actions taken by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the Department of Environment and Natural Resources for violations affecting human health or the environment at any landfill in the State. Statutes, rules, and policies used by State, regional, and local governments, and a review of the role played by these entities to influence or make siting and land-use decisions concerning landfills in the State. Data and methodologies by which State, regional, and local governments might become more specifically aware of situations in which neighborhoods are at particularly high risk for potential threats to human health and the environment from the siting of landfills. Approaches to ensure consideration of environmental justice and equity issues when formulating and implementing policies, procedures, and legislation within governmental agencies and other institutions.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, PERMITTING, AND MITIGATION PROCESS IN HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

ERRONEOUS PATERNITY JUDGEMENTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

E-TEXTBOOKS FOR STUDENTS

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.8, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study issues related to the availability and use of electronic copies of textbooks for public school students
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ETHICS AND GOVERNMENTAL REFORM

Authority: Letter of 12-05-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a); charge expanded by letter of 02-20-2006.
Report by: House Select Committee on Ethics and Governmental Reform
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Shall report on or before the convening of the 2006 Regular Session of the 2005 General Assembly
Scope: Shall examine the provisions of the 2005 rewrite of the lobbying law, S.L. 2005-456 (Senate Bill 612) to determine if portions of that law could be implemented prior to its original effective date of January 1, 2007 and determine whether any additional areas of lobbying regulation should be clarified or strengthened, including prohibiting lobbyists from raising funds for or personally contributing to political campaigns, and from holding any position in a legislative or executive branch campaign.
Examine the appropriateness of the scope of the State Ethics Board over executive branch actions, including the determination of whether this agency created by gubernatorial executive order should be codified into law and whether appointees made by any appointing authority to executive boards and commissions should be required under oath to submit to the State Ethics Board written statements of economic interest prior to assuming office.
Review needed changes to the Legislative Ethics Act, including reviewing the economic interest disclosure requirements for legislators to find ways to make these disclosures more comprehensive, improving the means by which this information is made available to the public, examining whether criminal punishments should be imposed for willfully providing false information or intentionally hiding information on a statement of economic interest, and assessing whether ethics training should be required for legislators and staff of the General Assembly on a regular basis.
Explore current campaign finance and election laws and recommend changes that will foster clarity and transparency, including imposing restrictions on how a candidate can spend leftover funds from a political campaign, ending the practice of using blank payee checks to contribute to candidates, and lowering the threshold requirement for full disclosure on campaign reports for individual contributions from \$100 to \$50.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

EQUINE INDUSTRY

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

EQUINE INDUSTRY

Authority: Letter of 12-08-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Joint Select Committee on the Equine Industry
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study issues relating to the impact of the equine industry in North Carolina. The Pro Tem and Speaker may jointly dissolve the Committee at any time.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

EXCLUSIONARY RULE/GOOD FAITH EXCEPTION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

EXEMPT BUILDERS' INVENTORIES FROM PROPERTY TAX INCREASES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

EXPANDING RAIL SERVICE

Authority: SL2006-248 §49, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Commission on Expanding Rail Service
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall study the following matters related to expanding rail service in North Carolina:
The cost and benefits of expanding and upgrading rail service in the State, including the effect the expanded service would have on economic development.
The feasibility, cost, and benefits of establishing commuter rail service in the State to transport workers to cities from outlying areas, including the effect the commuter service would have on increasing the economic opportunities of those who live in the outlying areas.
The cost and benefits of expanding passenger rail service to the western and eastern areas of the State, including the effect the expanded service would have on tourism.
Ways to preserve unused or abandoned rail corridors for future rail needs. Spurring economic development and tourism through further development of short-line railroads.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

EXPANDING RAIL SERVICE (House)

Authority: Letter of 12-07-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Expanding Rail Service
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study costs and benefits of expanding rail freight and passenger service; the feasibility, cost and benefits of establishing commuter rail service; and ways to preserve unused and abandoned rail corridors for future rail needs
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

EXPUNGEMENT FOR NON-VIOLENT FELONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §54.2., HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to expungement for non-violent felons.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

EXTRATERRITORIAL OPERATIONS OF MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

Authority: SL2006-248 §9.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Growth Strategies Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Final report by January 16, 2007.
Scope: May study the issues of extraterritorial operations of municipal public enterprises.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

FAMILY COURT IN DISTRICT 10

Authority: SL2005-276 §14.18, SB 622.
Report by: Administrative Office of the Courts
Report to: House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety
Report due: April 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of establishing a family court in District Court District 10 (Wake County).
Contact: Alison Flerl, Communications Officer
Judicial Department
(919) 715-4910

FAMILY COURT MODEL

Authority: SL2005-356 §4, HB 569.
Report by: Administrative Office of the Courts
Report to: Joint Legislative Committee on Domestic Violence, and North Carolina Courts Commission.
Report due: January 1, 2007
Scope: Shall study the elements of the Family Court Model that may be adopted without additional funding, and implement those elements where possible.
Contact: Alison Flerl, Communications Officer
Judicial Department
(919) 715-4910

FERRY BOAT OPERATOR TRAINING

Authority: SL2005-276 §8.7(a), SB 622.
Report by: State Board of Community Colleges
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee, and Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee.

Report due: December 1, 2005
Scope: In consultation with the Ferry Division of the Department of Transportation, shall study the need for training for ferry boat operators. Shall consider: types of training needed and feasibility of community colleges providing training; estimated number of students; estimated employment opportunities for students; start-up costs; location of training.
Contact: Suzanne Williams, Assistant to the President for Governmental Affairs
Community Colleges System Office
(919) 807-6960

FLEXIBLE BENEFITS PROGRAM CENTRALIZED UNDER OSP

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

FLOODING PREVENTION AND PROTECTION MEASURES

Authority: SL2005-1 §7(a), SB 7.
Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session
Scope: Shall study the causes of the flooding in Canton, Biltmore Village, the City of Newland, Clyde, and other affected areas as deemed necessary to determine what measures can be taken to prevent or mitigate the flooding potential of those areas. The Department may request the assistance of the Army Corps of Engineers in this study.
Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
DENR
(919) 715-4189

FOR-PROFIT RECYCLING BUSINESSES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(l), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

FUNDING FOR AREA AND COUNTY PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §14.3, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May, in consultation with DHHS, conduct an analysis of funding for administration for area and county mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services programs.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

FUTURE OF ELECTRIC SERVICES

Authority: SL97-40, SB 38; SL1999-122, HB 778; SL1999-395 §6.1, HB 163; SL2000-53, HB 1593; SL2000-67 §14.10, HB 1840.

Report by: Study Commission on the Future of Electric Service in North Carolina
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim report to the 1997 General Assembly 1998 Regular Session, and shall report periodically thereafter and shall terminate June 30, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the cost, adequacy, availability and pricing of electric rates and service to determine whether legislation is necessary to assure adequate and reliable service and economical, fair and equitable rates for all consumers of electricity. Study shall include reliability, universal access, states reciprocity, stranded costs, state and federal jurisdiction, alternative regulation, customer choice of providers, and the impact of competition.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

FUTURE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD

Authority: G.S. 120-245
Report by: Future of the North Carolina Railroad Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Annually
Scope: Shall study the importance of railroads and railroad infrastructure to economic development including short-line railroads, and issues important to the future of passenger and freight rail service, methods to expedite property disputes between railroads and property owners, and all aspects of the operation, structure, management, and long-range plans of the N.C. Railroad.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

GASOLINE AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION REGULATION

Authority: SL2006-206 §4A.1, SB 2051.
Report by: Joint Legislative Utility Review Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: No later than February 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study the following: (1) The role of repair and renovation investments and related costs in reducing energy and water use in existing State-owned facilities by twenty percent (20%) by January 1, 2012. (2) The construction and design of new facilities, facility additions, and facility renovations with the goal of reducing energy and water use by twenty percent (20%) by January 1, 2012. (3) The State's method of funding and planning capital projects to improve the integration of long-term operating costs, such as energy and water use, into the design of State facilities. (4) The State's method of funding utility costs for State facilities and whether this method of funding creates adequate incentives for State departments, agencies, and institutions to reduce energy and water use, thereby reducing the State's utility costs. (5) The costs and benefits of constructing green buildings, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified buildings, building commissioning, and other design and construction techniques when constructing new State-owned facilities, facility additions, and facility renovations. (6) The relationship of guaranteed energy savings contracts to the State's investment in State-owned capital facilities. (7) Any other issue the Committee determines is pertinent to the reduction of energy and water use in State-owned facilities.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

GERIATRIC CARE PROVIDERS

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.2, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: May study methods to increase the number of geriatric care providers in the State.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

Authority: SL2005-442, SB 1134; SL2006-73, SB 1591.
Report by: Legislative Commission on Global Climate Change
Report to: General Assembly, and Environmental Review Commission.
Report due: Shall submit an interim report no later than 15 January 2007 and may submit interim reports at other times at its discretion. Shall submit a final report on or before 4 November 2006, 15 April 2008.

Scope: Shall conduct an in-depth examination of issues related to global climate change.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AUDIT

Authority: SL2006-248 §46.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Government Performance Audit Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The results of the audit shall be reported on or before February 1, 2008.
Description: The Committee shall contract for a performance audit of the executive branch of State government. The goals of the audit are to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of State government and to identify specific ways to make improvements. The audit may examine entire departments, agencies, or institutions, or similar programs in several departments.

NOTE: The House and Senate created the Government Performance Audit Joint Select Committee by letter of 10-31-2006 in lieu of this committee.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AUDIT

Authority: Letter of 10-31-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Government Performance Audit Joint Select Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Committee shall submit a report on or before December 31, 2006. The audit results shall be reported by the date specified in the contract.
Scope: The Committee shall contract for a performance audit of the executive branch of State government. The goals of the audit are to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of State government and to identify specific ways to make improvements. The audit may examine entire departments, agencies, or institutions, or similar programs in several departments. The audit results shall be reported by the date specified in the contract.

NOTE: Created to replace Government Performance Audit Committee authorized by SL2006-248 §46.1.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

GRASSROOTS SCIENCE PROGRAM ALLOCATION FORMULA

Authority: SL2006-66 §11.3(c), SB 1741.
Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Report to: House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources
Report due: No later than January 15, 2007.
Scope: In consultation with the Fiscal Research Division, shall study the current formula used to calculate the allocations for members of the Grassroots collaborative.
Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
DENR
(919) 715-4189

GRAVEYARD OF THE ATLANTIC MUSEUM

Authority: SL2006-248 §23, HB 1723.
Report by: Department of Cultural Resources
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of designating the Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum as a State Historic Site or a Grassroots Science Museum.
Contact: Donna B. Rosefield
Legislative Liaison
(919) 733-4867

GROSS PREMIUMS TAX ON PROPERTY COVERAGE

Authority: SL2006-196 §13, HB 1891.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: Not specified
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Shall study the simplification of the additional tax imposed on insurance contracts on property coverage, as enacted in Section 3 of this act (SL2006-196), and the distribution of the revenue generated by the tax. The study of this issue may include a recommendation on the percentage of revenue to be distributed to the firemen's local relief funds and the formula for making this distribution. The study may also consider the increasing difference between the amount of revenue available in the Volunteer Fire Department Fund for matching grants to purchase equipment and make capital improvements and the amount of grant requests received.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

GUARDIANSHIP LAWS

Authority: Letter of 2-17-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Study Committee on the State Guardianship Laws
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study whether guardianship should be a remedy of last resort used only if less restrictive alternatives are insufficient, the definition of incompetency, whether courts should be required to make express findings regarding the extent of a person's incapacity, legal rights retained or lost as a result of being adjudicated incompetent, the proper role of attorneys and guardians ad litem in guardianship proceeding, the role of public human services agencies in providing guardianship services, legal procedures and protections in guardianship proceedings, public monitoring of guardianship, funding for guardianship services provided by public and nonprofit agencies, educating citizens with respect to guardianship and alternatives to guardianship, prudent investor rules, powers, duties, and liabilities of guardians, review of the State's adult protective services law, enactment of the Uniform Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Act (UGPPA), whether guardianship statutes need revision to provide greater protection of the health and welfare of incapacitated adults, whether the State should track the number of people under private guardianship and, if so, proposed methods for the tracking.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HABITUAL FELON STATUTES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

HEALTH CARE

Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Health Care
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Each Subcommittee may submit an interim report to the Select Committee on or before April 15, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 1, 2006. The Select Committee may submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study issues related to health care. Committee is subdivided into the following six subcommittees to study the certain issues:
Subcommittee on Medicaid
Subcommittee on the Cost of Health Care and Health Insurance for Employees and Employers
Subcommittee on Safety, Quality, Accountability
Subcommittee on Healthcare Workforce
Subcommittee on Access
Subcommittee on State Health Plan
[Subcommittee memberships are listed in Part II of this volume.]
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL REGISTRY

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.40A(q), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Study Commission on Aging.
Report due: December 1, 2005
Scope: Shall study whether there are any additional "health care facilities" and "health care personnel" that are employed in health care settings, including unlicensed health care settings, that should be contained in the Health Care Personnel Registry and listed in G.S. 131E-256.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Authority: SL2004-161 §34.1, SB 1152.
Report by: Study Commission on Health Care Workforce Development
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim report to the 2005 General Assembly 2005 Regular Session, and final report to the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session
Scope: To determine methods to increase the number of people providing health and dental care in this State and to overcome existing barriers contributing to the health care provider shortages.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Authority: SL2004-175, HB 1463.

Report by: Health Insurance Innovations Commission

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Not specified

Scope: Identify and evaluate comprehensively the problems small employers face when they attempt to obtain health insurance coverage for themselves and their employees and consider the impact these problems have for large employees and the communities they serve. Initiate regional demonstration projects to pilot innovative health care plans and products to address the problems identified. Develop clear and substantive recommendations for actions that must be taken by health insurance carriers, health care providers, government, small business employers, large business employers, consumers, and consumer groups.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

HEALTH INSURANCE ACCESS

Authority: SL2006-66 §24A.4(b), SB 1741 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

HEALTH INSURANCE ACCESSIBILITY

Authority: SL2006-248 §20.1, HB 1723.

Report by: Joint Legislative Commission on Health Insurance Accessibility

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: The Commission shall make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly.

Scope: The Commission shall study the legal, fiscal, and policy implications of various means of increasing accessibility to health insurance.

The Commission may study the creation of a North Carolina Health Insurance Risk Pool (H.B. 1535 - Insko, Holliman) and a North Carolina Fair Share Health Insurance Access Program (H.B. 2860 - Holliman).

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

HEPATITIS C

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

HIGH RISK INSURANCE

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION AND DROP OUT RATES

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.22, HB 1723.

Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee

Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to high school graduation and drop out rates.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION AND DROP OUT RATES (House)

Authority: Letter of 09-28-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on High School Graduation and Drop Out Rates
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the need to raise the compulsory school attendance age.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE INCENTIVES

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.5, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study whether bonuses should be paid to principals for increased graduation rates.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HIGHER EDUCATION STRATEGY

Authority: SL2004-179 §6.1, HB 1264; SL2004-124 §9.14, HB 1414; SL2005-276 §9.18, SB 622.
Report by: UNC Board of Governors and State Board of Community Colleges
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report due: Preliminary results of study by June 15, 2005, final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall contract with a private consulting firm to conduct a comprehensive study of the mission and educational program needs for the University System and Community College System.
Contact: Suzanne Williams, Assistant to the President for Governmental Affairs
Community Colleges System Office
(919) 807-6960
Andy Willis
VP for Government Relations University Affairs
(919) 962-7096

HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS

Authority: SL2006-248 §25.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Historically Underutilized Business Task Force
Report to: Secretary of Administration
Report due: The Task Force shall report on or before November 1, 2007
Scope: The Task Force shall propose criteria and procedures for: (i) the certification of businesses under G.S. 143-48 and G.S. 143-128.2 as Historically Underutilized Businesses; (ii) the creation and maintenance of a database of the businesses certified; and (iii) any other matters related to the certification of businesses as authorized in this section. In determining ownership of a business for purposes of certification, the Task Force shall use the definitions provided in G.S. 143-48 and G.S. 143-128.2.
Contact: See Task Force listing in Part II of this volume.

HOME FORECLOSURES

Authority: Letter of 02-03-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Home Foreclosures
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the causes of home foreclosures in NC and the appropriate role of the State government in helping homeowners remain in their residences.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HOMELAND SECURITY, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Authority: Floor Announcement of 02-16-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Senate Select Committee on Homeland Security, Emergency Management, and Military Affairs
Report to: Senate
Report due: Unspecified
Scope: Unspecified
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HOMELAND SECURITY, MILITARY, AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Authority: Email of 03-23-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Homeland Security, Military, and Emergency Management
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Unspecified
Scope: Unspecified
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

HORACE WILLIAMS AIRPORT

Authority: SL2005-276 §9.15, SB 622 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

HOSPITAL SYSTEMS

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.6, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to the conversion of county-owned hospitals to private not-for-profit hospitals and the merger and acquisition of health care systems.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HOUSING AUTHORITY TAX EXEMPTIONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.7, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study housing authority tax exemption issues.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

HUNTING ON SUNDAYS

Authority: SL2006-248 §13.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Wildlife Resources Commission
Report to: Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
Report due: No later than March 15, 2007.
Scope: Shall study the issue of allowing hunting on Sundays at a limited number of State game lands.
Contact: Joan Troy
(919) 707-0014

IMPACT OF LEGISLATIVE ETHICS LEGISLATION ON LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

IMPACT OF REGULATION ON THE COST OF HOUSING

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(b), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

IMPACT OF STUDENT MOBILITY ON ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.7, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the impact of student mobility on academic performance.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

IMPACT OF UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(e), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

INCOME TAX REFUND CONTRIBUTION ELECTION

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.9, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee

Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study the feasibility of creating additional income tax refund contribution elections, also known as tax “check-offs”.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

INCREASE CAP ON AWARD FOR LOSS OF ORGAN UNDER WORKERS’ COMPENSATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION’S MONITORING OF FILING OF FORMS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL ADMISSION/ASSIGNMENT

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.13 HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study information requirements for school admission and assignment.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Authority: SL2006-248 §24.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Legislative Study Commission on Information Technology
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall submit a final report by February 1, 2007.
Description: The Commission shall review the newly revised North Carolina Education Technology Plan developed by the North Carolina State Board of Education. The Commission's review shall also include best practices for using technology to enhance teaching and learning in North Carolina schools. The Commission shall review existing research-based best practices such as the IMPACT model, NC Wise Owl, and successful 1:1 (computer to student) initiatives across the State and nation. The Commission shall receive recommendations from the Business and Education Technology Alliance, the E-Learning Commission, the business community, and the North Carolina Center for 21st Century Skills.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT METHODS

Authority: SL2005-276 §6.33(a), SB 622.
Report by: Office of State Budget and Management
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session

Scope: Shall conduct a study to determine the best methods for collecting, managing, and providing access to information about technology, water, sewer, and other modern infrastructures needed to assist communities in becoming and remaining economically viable.

Contact: Charles Perusse, Deputy State Budget Director
Office of State Management and Budget
(919) 807-4700

INHERENTLY DANGEROUS ANIMALS

Authority: SL2006-248 §32.1, HB 1723.

Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: In consultation with the North Carolina Zoological Park and the Wildlife Resources Commission, shall study the need to protect the public against the health and safety risks posed by inherently dangerous animals and propose a means of best providing that protection to the public while also protecting the welfare of inherently dangerous animals.

Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
DENR
(919) 715-4189

INLAND PORT

Authority: SL2006-248 §29, HB 1723.

Report by: Institute for the Economy and the Future, Western Carolina University

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: On or before May 1, 2007.

Scope: In cooperation with the Western North Carolina Regional Economic Development Commission, shall study the feasibility of establishing an inland port within the twenty three county region of the Commission.

Contact: Alan Thornburg
Interim Executive Director

INMATE HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT

Authority: SL2005-276 §17.15(a), SB 622.

Report by: Department of Correction

Report to: Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety, and the Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee.

Report due: Initial findings report by April 1, 2006, and final report by December 2006.

Scope: Shall study and develop new approaches to reducing the cost of inmate medical services while continuing to provide services necessary to maintain basic health and provide adequate care.

Contact: Legislative Liaison
Department of Correction
(919) 716-3700

IN-STATE TEACHER TUITION BENEFIT

Authority: SL2005-276 §9.35, SB 622.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim report by May 30, 2007, and final report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall study the current law regarding the in-state tuition rate available for certain teachers for courses relevant to teacher certification or professional development as a teacher. The Committee shall consider the difficulty some teachers have in establishing North Carolina as their domicile, the fact that school systems on the borders of the state often recruit nonresidents who commute from their homes to teach in the North Carolina public school system and so are unable to establish this state as their domicile and any other relevant issues.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

INSTITUTIONAL BIAS STUDY REPORT

Authority: SL2006-110, SB 1279.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Study Commission on Aging
Report due: On or before October 15, 2006.
Scope: Shall collaborate with providers and advocates of home and community-based long-term care services to review the North Carolina Institutional Bias Study Report prepared by the Lewin Group and make recommendations on ways to address the biases identified in the report.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

INTERMODAL RAIL FACILITY

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.10, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study the creation of an intermodal rail facility for the State.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

JOINT EDUCATION LEADERSHIP TEAM FOR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.14, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study establishing a Joint Education Leadership Team for Disadvantaged Students.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTERS

Authority: SL2005-276 §16.9, SB 622.
Report by: Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee

Report to: Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, and Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety.
Report due: Upon the convening of the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session.
Scope: In conjunction with the local detention centers, the Office of State Budget and Management, the Office of State Construction of the Department of Administration, and the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, shall study the four juvenile detention centers located in Durham, Guilford, Forsyth, and Mecklenburg Counties that are operated by the counties.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

JUVENILE RECIDIVISM

Authority: SL2005-276 §14.19(a), SB 622.
Report by: North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission
Report to: Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, and Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety.
Report due: Shall report results of first study by May 1, 2007, and future reports by May 1 of each odd-numbered year.
Scope: Shall conduct biennial recidivism studies of juveniles. Each study shall be based upon a sample of juveniles adjudicated delinquent and document subsequent involvement in both the juvenile justice system and criminal justice system for at least two years following the sample adjudication.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

KINDERGARTEN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.10, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study the issue of modifying kindergarten admission requirements as it relates to student readiness to enter kindergarten.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION

Authority: SL2006-223, SB 1122.
Report by: Land and Water Conservation Commission
Report to: General Assembly and Environmental Review Commission
Report due: Shall report its on or before 1 February 2007.
Scope: The Commission shall: Identify and evaluate the existing sources of State funding for: (i) the public acquisition of land or interests in land to protect drinking water quality and prevent polluted runoff, conserve rivers, wetlands, floodplains, coastal waters, working farms, working forests, local parks, State parks, game lands and other natural areas, urban forests, and land visible from scenic highways in North Carolina; (ii) historic preservation; and (iii) economic and community development tied to land and water conservation and historic preservation. Collect research and information from North Carolina and other states and jurisdictions regarding incentive based techniques and management tools used to protect land and water and assess the applicability of such tools and techniques to land conservation in North Carolina. Prepare a draft report with a statement of the issues, a summary of the research, and recommendations to address funding needs and other issues affecting land and water conservation in North Carolina. Hold at least three public meetings, including at least one meeting in the Mountains, Piedmont, and the Coastal Plain

region of the State to present the draft report and recommendations to the public and user groups.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK PROGRAM

Authority: SL2003-352 §12(a), HB 897.

Report by: Environmental Review Commission

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2003 General Assembly 2004 Regular Session, or 2005 General Assembly

Scope: May study issues related to the Leaking Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Program.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

LEGISLATIVE EFFICIENCY AND OPERATIONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(q), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

LIABILITIES OF GENERAL CONTRACTORS TO SUBCONTRACTORS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

LICENSE PLATE ISSUES

Authority: SL2003-424 §7, HB 855.

Report by: Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2003 General Assembly 2004 Regular Session, or 2005 General Assembly

Scope: Shall study the following issues related to special registration plates: number of plates that have not received the minimum applications after three years and whether to repeal those plates; the plate background and alternative methods of identifying NC vehicles; and the fees and distribution of those fees.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(g), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

LOCAL SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FINANCING

Authority: SL2004-124 §7.32, HB 1414; SL2006-248 §41.1, HB 1723.

Report by: Local School Construction Financing Study Commission

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2007 General Assembly

Scope: Shall examine the present system of local financing for school facilities and shall study alternative options for financing local school construction, renovation, repair, and maintenance. May study public-private partnerships for school construction and facility ownership, sale lease-back arrangements, private and commercial financing arrangements,

design standards for school facilities that may facilitate alternative financing techniques, alternative local revenue sources for financing school facilities, the use of real estate investment trusts, State and local construction bond pools, and other financing issues deemed pertinent by the Commission.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

LOCAL SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FINANCING

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.18, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to local school construction financing.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

LOSS OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR FRAUD

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

LOTTERY (HOUSE)

Authority: Letter of 04-06-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on the Lottery
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Shall report its findings and recommendations by 04/11/2005.
Scope: Shall study the establishment of a lottery in this State to fund education, which shall include the examination and formulation of legislation to create and implement a lottery and allocate its proceeds.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

LOTTERY (SENATE)

Authority: Pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Senate Select Committee on Lottery Bill H. 1023
Report to: Senate
Report due: Not specified
Scope: To examine HB 1023, and make recommendations.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

LOTTERY ISSUES

Authority: SL2006-225 §1, HB 2212.
Report by: Lottery Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: By September 15 of each year.
Scope: Study Lottery matters as the Committee considers necessary to fulfill its mandate.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

LOTTERY PROCEEDS FOR CHARTER SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FUNDING

Authority: G.S. 120-19.6; Letter of 09-29-2006, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Study Committee on Use of Lottery Proceeds for Charter School Construction Funding
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Shall submit a report not later than December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall review existing statutes relating to charter schools funding with emphasis on funds available for school construction, renovation, and expansion. The Committee will examine the general statutes that established the North Carolina Education Lottery, and may make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning funding for charter school construction and for the purchase of land for charter schools from lottery receipts.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

MANDATORY COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE FOR RETIREES OF THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Authority: SL2006-248 §10.1, HB 1723.
Report by: House Select Commission on a Mandatory Cost-of-Living Increase for Retirees of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall submit a final report on or before the convening of the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: The Commission shall study the cost and feasibility of an automatic annual retirement allowance increase that equals the prior year ratio of the unadjusted 12-month (December to December) Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers. The Commission shall consider the benefit to retirees, the cost and actuarial soundness of a mandatory increase, and shall determine whether a mandatory increase adheres to sound retirement and pension policy. In conducting the study, the Commission shall obtain an actuarial analysis and appropriate input from the Retirement Systems Division of the Department of State Treasurer.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

MANUFACTURED HOMES/GOOD FAITH EVICTIONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

MATH AND SCIENCE TEACHERS PILOT PROGRAM

Authority: SL2006-66 §7.21(a)-(d), SB 1741.
Report by: State Board of Education
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report due: By January 15, 2007.
Scope: Shall develop the pilot program and select three local school administrative units to participate in the pilot program. In selecting the units, the Board shall target low-performing local school administrative units and take geographical diversity into account. Selected local school administrative units shall use salary supplement funds for newly hired teachers at low-performing schools.
Contact: Rita Joyner
State Board of Education

Legislative Liaison
(919) 807-4035

MEDIATION OF STATE EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

MEDICAID 1915(b) WAIVER IMPACT ON AREA AUTHORITIES AND COUNTIES

Authority: SL2006-32 §3, HB 2120.
Report by: Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly 2007 Regular Session
Scope: Shall study whether implementation of a Medicaid 1915(b) waiver on a statewide or expanded local basis would strengthen the ability of area authorities and county programs to manage the mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse system. As part of the study, the LOC shall examine the impact of the waiver on Piedmont Behavioral Health's ability to implement its management functions including utilization management for Medicaid services, consumer satisfaction, provider monitoring, use of best practices, and any other matters the LOC determines are relevant. If the LOC determines that a Medicaid 1915(b) waiver would improve the management capacity of area authorities and county programs, it shall also examine whether it would be more appropriate to seek a statewide waiver or whether it would be both possible and advisable for additional area authorities and county programs to seek individual waivers.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

MEDICAID COSTS TO PHARMACISTS OFFSET STRATEGIES

Authority: SL2006-221 §13A, SB 198.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: February 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study strategies for assisting pharmacists in providing these services to Medicaid recipients enrolled in Medicare Part D. In studying the strategies, the Department shall specifically address the special circumstances of pharmacists that provide pharmacy services to long-term care facilities. Among the strategies to be considered are those that address pharmacies adversely affected by the additional costs such that they may remain in business and thus continue to provide pharmacy services throughout the State. As part of this effort, the Department shall also assess the impact of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 on the payment for generic drugs under the Medicaid Program.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

MEDICAID/HEALTH CHOICE DENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Authority: SL2006-66 §10.9A, SB 1741.
Report by: Division of Medical Assistance, Department of Health and Human Services

Report to: House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Not later than March 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study the costs and benefits of implementing a carve-out of dental administrative services provided by third-party administrators for Medicaid and NC Health Choice recipients.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

MEDICAID/MEDICARE DUAL ELIGIBILITY

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.21E, SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: May 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study Medicaid services for individuals who are dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare, particularly including the Medicare Part D impact on these services, the financial impact on the State of Medicare clawback provisions, and efficiencies that can be realized in services for this dually eligible population. The study shall include the impact on the Medicaid program as a whole.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

MEDICAID PERSONAL CARE SERVICES

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.19(b), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance
Report to: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: May 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study and determine additional utilization/prior authorization systems for personal care services and other home- and community-based services that can be provided to individuals who meet medical criteria and that can be implemented when the new MMIS goes into effect.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

MEDICAID PROVIDER RATE INCREASES

Authority: SL2006-66 §10.11(a)-(b), SB 1741.
Report by: Secretary of HHS
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Not later than March 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study and develop a proposal for an equitable standard for providing inflationary increases and other cost-related increases to service providers in the Medicaid program. The Department shall seek the assistance of external consultants and other appropriate

financial experts and affected parties to validate any methodologies used in the development of the standard.

Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

MEDICAL COST SAVINGS

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.3, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study a variety of approaches to find medical cost savings and to insure quality of medical care provided to the citizens of the State.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

MEDICATION AIDES

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.40D(a), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services, Community Colleges System
Report to: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Progress report due upon convening of 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session, and upon convening of the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: The Secretary of DHHS and President of the Community Colleges System shall jointly convene a study group to review and consider the use of medication aides to perform the technical aspects of medication administration. The group shall address: training and competency evaluation; training standards; ongoing review and evaluation of training; and requirements for supervision.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534
Suzanne Williams, Assistant to the President for Governmental Affairs
Community Colleges System Office
(919) 807-6960

MENHADEN

Authority: SL2006-248 §37, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Commission on Seafood and Aquaculture
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly
Scope: May study the management of menhaden and Atlantic thread herring, including whether it should be unlawful to take menhaden or Atlantic thread herring with a purse seine off the shore of Brunswick and New Hanover Counties during all or part of each year.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

MEN'S HEALTH

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES FINANCING

Authority: SL2004-161 §18.1, SB 1152.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: No later than July 1, 2005
Scope: Shall study the financing of mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

MENTAL HEALTH PARITY

Authority: SL2006-248 §14.2, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to mental health parity.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT FOR SEX OFFENDERS

Authority: SL2006-247 §18, HB 1896.
Report by: Department of Correction
Report to: General Assembly, and Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
Report due: Preliminary report no later than January 15, 2007, and final report on or before October 1, 2007
Scope: Shall study appropriate and effective mental health treatment techniques and alternatives. Services must be best practices, as determined by the Department. The Department will consult various stakeholders from organizations dedicated to the prevention of sexual assault, victims' advocacy organizations, and experts in the field of treatment of sexual offenders. The Department shall consider the fiscal impact, if any, of implementing the plan developed pursuant to this study.
Contact: Legislative Liaison
Department of Correction
(919) 716-3700

MERCURY EMISSIONS MONITORING

Authority: SL2002-4 §12, SB 1078.
Report by: Division of Air Quality, Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Report to: Environmental Management Commission, Environmental Review Commission

Report due: Interim reports annually beginning September 1, 2003, and final report September 1, 2005
Scope: Shall study issues related to the monitoring of emissions of mercury and the development and implementation of standards and plans to implement programs to control emissions of mercury from coal-fired generating units. Shall evaluate available control technologies and shall estimate the benefits and costs of alternative strategies to reduce emissions of mercury.
Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
DENR
(919) 715-4189

MERCURY REDUCTION AND EDUCATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §8.2, HB 1723.
Report by: Environmental Review Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study measures to reduce the quantity of mercury that is released into the environment, including prohibitions on the sale of certain mercury-containing products, prohibitions on the use of mercury in primary and secondary education, labeling of certain mercury-containing products, State purchase of products that contain no mercury, and public education on the hazards of mercury release and proper methods of mercury disposal.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

METHAMPHETAMINE ABUSE

Authority: SL2005-434 §7, H248.
Report by: Legislative Commission on Methamphetamine Abuse
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: First report on or before November 1, 2005.
Scope: To study issues regarding abuse of methamphetamine precursors; the cost, feasibility, and advisability of tracking sale of pseudoephedrine products; development of programs to curb use and access to methamphetamine; developing training and education programs for employees of establishments that sell pseudoephedrine products; and develop programs to educate citizens on the issues of detection and prevention of clandestine methamphetamine laboratories, and on the restrictions on the sale of pseudoephedrine products.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

MINORITY INCARCERATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

MITIGATION OF POTENTIAL FLOODING IN CERTAIN AREAS

Authority: SL2006-248 §30, HB 1723.
Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall study the causes of the flooding in Canton, Biltmore Village, Blue Ridge Paper Company, and the City of Newland to determine what measures can be taken to prevent or

mitigate the flooding potential in those areas. The Department may request the assistance of the United States Army Corps of Engineers in this study.

Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
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(919) 715-4189

MOPED IDENTIFICATION TAG

Authority: SL2003-397 §6, SB 61.
Report by: Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2003 General Assembly 2004 Regular Session, or 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study the need for a moped identification tag program, and make recommendations on identifying mopeds if it sees the need.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

MORTGAGE PAYOFFS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

MTBE (METHYL TERTIARY BUTYL ETHER) PHASEOUT

Authority: SL2005-93 §2, HB 1336.
Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Report to: Environmental Review Commission
Report due: Interim report on or before March 1, 2006, and final report by March 1, 2007.
Scope: The Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources and Commissioner of Agriculture shall jointly study the feasibility and advantages of a coordinated regional approach for the phaseout of MTBE as a additive to motor fuel in the Southeast region of the United States. The study shall consider the potential impacts on fuel supply and availability and the potential benefits and costs associated with the use of MTBE.
Contact: Johanna Reese, Legislative Liaison
DENR
(919) 715-4189

NANOTECHNOLOGY

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

NATIONAL GUARD PENSION FUND

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

NATIONALLY CERTIFIED SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST COMPENSATION

Authority: SL2006-66 §7.22, SB 1741.
Report by: State Board of Education
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report due: Prior to January 15, 2007.
Scope: Shall study the adequacy of the compensation of school psychologists who are designated as Nationally Certified School Psychologists by the National School Psychology Certification Board.
Contact: Rita Joyner
State Board of Education
Legislative Liaison
(919) 807-4035

NATUROPATHIC REGISTRATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

NEW AND EXPANDING INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM

Authority: SL2006-66 §8.7, SB 1741.
Report by: Office of State Budget and Management
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report due: No later than April 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall conduct a study to analyze and evaluate the New and Expanding Industry Training program of the North Carolina Community College System. This study shall examine the companies served, the number of times each company has been served, the number of jobs created, the length of time the company has remained in North Carolina after receiving New and Expanding Industry Training funds, and whether the company has maintained employment levels at the same level promised when training was received.
Contact: Charles Perusse, Deputy State Budget Director
Office of State Budget and Management
(919) 807-4700

NO-FAULT COMPENSATION FOR INJURIES TO ELDERLY AND DISABLED PERSONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §18, HB 1723.
Report by: Commissioner of Insurance, Industrial Commission, and Department of Health and Human Services.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May jointly study the utility, efficacy, and advisability of creating a system of no-fault compensation for injuries resulting from regular and ordinary course of care provided at nursing homes, homes for the elderly, other long-term care facilities, and assisted living facilities.
Contact: Bill Hale

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Legislative Counsel
(919) 733-4529

NONBETTERMENTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §4.3, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to nonbetterments.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

NOTARY LAWS

Authority: SL2006-59 §32, HB 1432.
Report by: General Statutes Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly, or 2009 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall study the need for additional changes to laws relating to notaries public, the notarization of documents, and the registration of instruments notarized in other jurisdictions. The Commission shall determine whether there is a need for additional conforming changes in the law that arise from changes made by this act and recommend to the General Assembly any legislation to address the needs identified by this study.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

NUTRIENT OFFSET PAYMENT PROGRAM

Authority: SL2006-215, SB 1862.
Report by: Environmental Review Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: With the assistance of the Division of Water Quality of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, shall study issues related to the nutrient offset payment program. The Commission shall specifically study the costs associated with providing nutrient controls that are adequate to offset point source and nonpoint source discharges of nitrogen; whether nutrient offset payments should be authorized for additional nutrients, including phosphorus; and whether the nutrient offset program should be expanded to other areas of the State.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSURE REVISIONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.8, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the amendment of certain laws related to the NC Occupational Therapy Act.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

OFFICE OF INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES FEE PAYMENT PRACTICES

Authority: SL2006-66 §14.16, SB 1741.
Report by: State Auditor
Report to: Chairs, House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety
Report due: By March 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall conduct an analysis of the fee payment practices of the Office of Indigent Defense Services and make recommendations for process improvements in payment of fee applications, including recommendations regarding automation.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

OLD REVENUE BUILDING REDESIGN

Authority: SL2006-66 §17.4, SB 1741.
Report by: Department of Administration
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: By November 1, 2006.
Scope: Shall examine the feasibility of redesigning the Old Revenue Building to address security concerns and the unused and underutilized space issues identified in the Space Utilization Study
Contact: Liaison for Productivity and Legislative Affairs
(919) 807-2340

ONLINE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER REGISTRATION ENHANCEMENT

Authority: SL2005-276 §28.22(a), SB 622.
Report by: Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
Report to: Not specified
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Shall study the feasibility and cost of enhancing the Online Dealer Registration System to allow motor vehicle dealers the option of performing titling and registration services on-site. This study shall determine whether the DMV or some third-party vendor would be better able to provide these services including crash data on each vehicle being registered. The Committee may hire an outside consultant in conducting this study.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

ON-SITE SUBSURFACE WASTEWATER SYSTEM PERMITS

Authority: SL2006-136 §3, HB 1094.
Report by: Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Report to: Environmental Review Commission
Report due: Shall annually report its interim findings beginning October 1, 2007, and shall report its final findings no later than October 1, 2011.
Scope: Shall evaluate whether: (i) the program resulted in a reduction in the length of time improvement permits or authorizations to construct are pending in the participating counties; (ii) the program resulted in increased system failures or other adverse impacts; and (iii) the program resulted in new or increased environmental impacts.
Contact:

ORGANIZATION OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE INTO DISTRICTS AND DIVISIONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §31, HB 1723.

Report by: Courts Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the current state of the General Court of Justice, focusing on workloads, case backlogs, and other issues relevant to the efficient administration of justice and determine whether the current organization of the State into judicial divisions, superior court districts, district court districts, and prosecutorial districts is in need of revision or adjustment in order to better serve the interests of justice.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

OVERHEAD COST RECOVERY

Authority: SL2005-276 §6.6(b), SB 622.
Report by: Office of State Budget and Management
Report to: Chairs of the Senate Committee on Appropriations/Base Budget, Chairs of the House Committee on Appropriations, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: April 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study the allocation of overhead costs and propose an overhead cost recovery program.
Contact: Charles Perusse, Deputy State Budget Director
Office of State Budget and Management
(919) 807-4700

OVERSIGHT AND MONITORING OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.34, SB 622.
Report by: Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
Report to: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: April 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study the oversight and monitoring roles and activities of the Divisions of: Social Services, Facility Services, Medical Assistance, and Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, of the Department of Health and Human Services. The study shall focus on how the oversight and monitoring activities benefit consumers of mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services in residential settings, and shall include in its report recommendations on ensuring quality of care and increasing efficiency in the provision of services.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PAVING AND MAINTENANCE OF SECONDARY ROADS COSTS

Authority: SL2006-258 §5, HB 1825.
Report by: Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: By March 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall conduct a study of the cost of paving and maintenance of both paved and unpaved secondary roads in different geographic areas of the State.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PEANUT ALLERGIES/RESTAURANT POSTINGS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

PERSONAL INFORMATION PRIVACY

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

PERSONS WHO CANNOT AFFORD REPRESENTATION OR CHOOSE TO DEFEND THEMSELVES

Authority: SL2006-187 §10, HB 1848.
Report by: Administrative Office of the Courts
Report to: Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety
Report due: No later than December 31, 2007.
Scope: In conjunction with the North Carolina Equal Access to Justice Commission, North Carolina Bar Association, North Carolina Legal Services Planning Council, Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc., North Carolina Justice Center, and Pisgah Legal Services, Inc., shall study the most effective way to address the increasing numbers of persons who either cannot afford representation or choose to represent themselves in family law matters and in some civil litigation.
Contact: Alison Flerl, Communications Officer
Judicial Department
(919) 715-4910

PHARMACIST COST OFFSET STRATEGIES FOR SERVICES TO MEDICAID RECIPIENTS

Authority: SL2006-66 §10.9D, SB 1741.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Not later than April 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study strategies for assisting pharmacists in providing these services to Medicaid recipients enrolled in Medicare Part D. In studying the strategies, the Department shall specifically address the special circumstances of pharmacists that provide pharmacy services to long-term care facilities. Among the strategies to be considered are those that address pharmacies adversely affected by the additional costs such that they may remain in business and thus continue to provide pharmacy services throughout the State. As part of this effort, the Department shall also assess the impact of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 on the payment for generic drugs under the Medicaid Program.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER REGULATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(f), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

PHYSICAL RESTRAINTS/SECLUSION IN SCHOOLS

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.4, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study the use of physical restraints and seclusion in public schools.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

POST-ADOPTION CONTRACT

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(m), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

PRESCRIPTION DRUG COST MANAGEMENT OFFICE

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.7, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the feasibility of establishing an Office of Prescription Drug Cost Management in the DOA or other appropriate State agency to manage the cost of prescription drugs incurred by State agencies and programs that cover or provide prescription drugs.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PRESENT-USE VALUE

Authority: SL2006-106 §9, SB 1451.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study and recommend any changes to the special class of property taxed on the basis of the value of the property at its present use.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PRETERM BIRTH PREVENTION EDUCATION

Authority: SL2006-66 §10.17, SB 1741.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Shall evaluate the impact of the use of funds to provide education to women on the benefits of progesterone for those who have had preterm births and to purchase medication for eligible minority and low-income women until the medication becomes readily available through the Medicaid Program.

Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

PROBATION/PAROLE OFFICER WORKLOAD

Authority: SL2005-276 §17.20(b), SB 622.
Report by: Department of Correction
Report to: House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety
Report due: January 1, 2007
Scope: Shall conduct a study of probation/parole officer workload at least biannually. The study shall include analysis of the type of offenders supervised, the distribution of the probation/parole officers' time by type of activity, the caseload carried by the officers, and comparisons to practices in other states. The study shall be used to determine whether the caseload goals established by the Structured Sentencing Act are still appropriate, based on the nature of the offenders supervised and the time required to supervise those offenders.

Contact: Legislative Liaison
Department of Correction
(919) 716-3700

PRODUCTION COMPANIES TAX CREDITS

Authority: SL2006-66 §24A.4(a), SB 1741.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the effectiveness of tax credits for qualifying expenses of a production company and whether those credits should be modified to conform more closely to general practice.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REVERSE AUCTION

Authority: SL2005-370 §3, HB 576.
Report by: Joint Legislative Economic Development Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Before the beginning of the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session.
Scope: As part of the study directed in SL2005-241 §8, shall study the use of reverse auctions for the procurement of professional services, including architectural, engineering, surveying and construction management at risk, or other construction services, by businesses that receive economic development incentives from the State or a local government. The Committee shall consider the advisability of making business incentives upon a business's commitment not to use a reverse auction procurement process.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PROPERTY TAXES

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.2, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening

Scope: May study the valuation of partially improved, undeveloped lots in subdivisions.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PSEUDEPHEDRINE USE IN METHAMPHETAMINE MANUFACTURING

Authority: SL2005-434 §8, HB 248.
Report by: State Bureau of Investigation
Report to: Commission for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, the Legislative Commission on Methamphetamine Abuse, and the Joint Governmental Operations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety.
Report due: Report annually. First report shall be submitted on or before November 1, 2006.
Scope: Shall study issues regarding the use of pseudoephedrine products to make methamphetamine, including any data on the use of particular pseudoephedrine products in that regard, pertinent law enforcement statistics, trends observed, and other relevant information.
Contact: Greg McLeod, Legislative Liaison
Department of Justice
(919) 716-6612

PUBLIC BUILDING CONTRACT LAWS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS

Authority: SL2005-429 §3 SB 393.
Report by: Joint Legislative Economic Development Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May make interim reports to the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session, and shall make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall study the issue of public disclosure as it relates to economic development efforts. Specifically, the Committee shall study ways of providing the public information about the employment levels, and any changes in employment levels, of businesses that receive economic development incentives from the State or local governments.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION LIAISON WITH MILITARY BASES

Authority: SL2005-445 §5, SB 1117.
Report by: Department of Public Instruction
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of designating an employee to serve as its liaison to the military bases in North Carolina. It shall be the responsibility of the liaison to facilitate communication and cooperation between: military personnel and their families and the Department; and military personnel and the families and the North Carolina public schools.
Contact: Rita Joyner

State Board of Education
Legislative Liaison
(919) 807-4035

PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Authority: Letter of 09-28-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Public School Construction
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on or before January 23, 2007.
Scope: Shall examine the present system of local financing for school facilities and shall study alternative options for financing local school construction, renovation, repair, and maintenance. The Select Committee may study and consider public-private partnerships for school construction and facility ownership, sale lease-back arrangements, private and commercial financing arrangements, design standards for school facilities that may facilitate alternative financing techniques, alternative local revenue sources for financing school facilities, the use of real estate investment trusts, State and local construction bond pools, and any other financing issues.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

PUBLIC SCHOOL PERSONNEL COMMUNICATION CONCERNING DISABILITIES

Authority: SL2006-248 §51, HB 1723.
Report by: State Board of Education
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: On or before March 31, 2007.
Scope: In cooperation with Division TEACCH and the North Carolina Justice Academy, shall study training for public school personnel designed to facilitate, when needed, effective communication and transfer of information about students with autism and other disabilities between school personnel and school resource officers.
Contact: Rita Joyner
State Board of Education
Legislative Liaison
(919) 807-4035

PURCHASE BED DAYS FROM STATE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS BY AREA AUTHORITIES

Authority: SL2006-32 §3, HB 2120.
Report by: Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly 2007 Regular Session
Scope: Shall study mechanisms to allow area authorities and county programs to purchase bed days from the State psychiatric hospitals. The LOC shall consider options for holding area authorities and county programs accountable for their use of State psychiatric institutions, provide incentives to increase community capacity, and options for ensuring the State institutions have a sufficient funding stream to ensure quality care to patients and a stable and well-qualified workforce.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

RACIAL BIAS AND THE DEATH PENALTY

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

RAISING THE COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AGE

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.3, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to raising the compulsory school attendance age.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

RATE-SETTING METHODOLOGY FOR STATE-FUNDED KIDNEY DIALYSIS

Authority: SL2006-248 §36, HB 1723.
Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: House Appropriations Committee, and Senate Appropriations Committee.
Report due: May 1, 2007.
Scope: May study its rate setting methodology for State-funded kidney dialysis services to determine the feasibility of inflationary increases that correspond to rate and inflationary increases provided for equivalent Medicaid services.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

REAL ESTATE DEALERS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

REAL PROPERTY DONATIONS TAX CREDIT

Authority: SL2006-66 §24A.4(a), SB 1741.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the effectiveness of the tax credit for certain real property donations
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

RECOVERY OF CIVIL COSTS (HOUSE)

Authority: Letter of 11-20-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee to Study the Recovery of Civil Costs
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the House of Representatives, on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the recovery of civil costs.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

RECOVERY OF COSTS IN CIVIL CASES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

RECOVERY OF COSTS IN CIVIL CASES

Authority: SL2006-248 §12.1, HB 1723.

Report by: House of Representatives Task Force on the Recovery of Costs in Civil Cases

Report to: House of Representatives

Report due: By December 31, 2006.

Scope: To review and recommend a resolution to the conflict in North Carolina law regarding the recovery of costs in a civil case. Specifically, the Task Force on the Recovery of Costs in Civil Cases shall study the conflict that exists between G.S. 6-20 and G.S. 7A-305, and the appellate cases interpreting those statutes, and recommend revisions to one or both statutes to resolve that conflict.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

RED LIGHT CAMERA CLEAR PROCEEDS

Authority: SL2006-189 §2, SB 1442, and SL2006-248 §2.1(j), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

REDACTING IDENTIFYING INFORMATION FROM SECRETARY OF STATE RECORDS

Authority: SL2006-173 §9, HB 1248.

Report by: Secretary of State

Report to: Office of State Budget and Management, and House and Senate Co-chairs of the Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government

Report due: On or before February 1, 2007.

Scope: Shall study the alternatives and costs for redacting identifying information contained in the records of the Department of the Secretary of State, including the Internet Web site of the Department.

Contact: Robert Wilson
Legislative Liaison
(919) 807-2023

REDUCTION IN OXIDES OF NITROGEN AND SULFUR DIOXIDE EMISSIONS

Authority: SL2002-4 §11, SB 1078; SL2006-79 §12, HB 2165.

Report by: Environmental Management Commission

Report to: General Assembly and Environmental Review Commission

Report due: Shall report annually beginning September 1, 2007.

Scope: shall study the desirability of requiring and the feasibility of obtaining reductions in emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NOx) and sulfur dioxide (SO2) beyond those required by G.S. 143-215.107D, as enacted by Section 1 of this act. The Environmental Management Commission shall consider the availability of emissions reduction technologies, increased cost to consumers of electric power, reliability of electric power supply, actions to reduce emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NOx) and sulfur dioxide (SO2) taken by states and other entities whose emissions negatively impact air quality in North Carolina or whose failure to achieve comparable reductions would place the economy of North Carolina at a

competitive disadvantage, and the effects that these reductions would have on public health, the environment, and natural resources, including visibility. In its conduct of this study, the Environmental Management Commission may consult with the Utilities Commission and the Public Staff.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

REFUSAL RIGHTS-FORCED PUBLIC PARTITION SALES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

REGIONAL EDUCATION NETWORKS

Authority: SL2005-276 §7.42, SB 622.

Report by: Rural Economic Development Center, e-NC Authority

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session

Scope: In collaboration with interested providers of broadband services, representatives from local school administrative units, UNC, private colleges, the State Board of Education, the State Chief Information Officer, and the Community Colleges System shall perform a feasibility study on developing regional education networks that provide and sustain broadband service access to individual students and teachers in schools, community colleges, and universities. The study shall include: an evaluation of existing technology and service applications such as the statewide infrastructure, those operated by the private sector, the NC Research and Education Network, and networks such as Winston-Net; and an evaluation of newer technology such as wireless broadband access. It shall recommend ways to maximize the use of these existing resources to support growth in broadband service access to the State, including underserved regions.

Contact: (919) 250-4314

REGULATION OF NURSE PRACTITIONER PRACTICE

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.4, HB 1723.

Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: May study issues surrounding the practice parameters of advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs), relationship between APRNs and physicians, regulation of APRNs by Board of Nursing or Medical Board, and any issues the Committee considers relevant.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

RENEWABLE FUELS TAX CREDITS

Authority: SL2006-66 §24A.4(a), SB 1741.

Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2007 General Assembly

Scope: Shall study the effectiveness of tax credits in encouraging the production and use of renewable fuels in the State.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS FOR ON-SITE BUSINESS
INSTALLATION OR REPAIR OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT**

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(p), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

RESOURCES NEEDED FOR SCHOOLS FOR 21ST CENTURY LEARNERS

Authority: SL2005-276 §7.43(e), SB 622.

Report by: State Board of Education

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session

Scope: Shall study and identify the types of resources needed to operate schools designed to meet the needs of twenty-first century learners.

Contact: Rita Joyner
State Board of Education
Legislative Liaison
(919) 807-4035

RURAL ECONOMY

Authority: Letter of 10-04-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).

Report by: House Select Committee on the Rural Economy

Report to: House of Representatives

Report due: May submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.

Description: May study all aspects of the economies of rural counties.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

RURAL HEALTH CARE ACCESS AND NEEDS

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.11, HB 1723.

Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: May study, in consultation with DHHS Office of Research, Demonstrations, and Rural Health Development, the health care needs in rural areas of the State and other health professional shortage areas of the State without inpatient services and with a high percentage of uninsured residents.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

RURAL SCHOOLS

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.3, SB 1152.

Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2005 General Assembly

Scope: May study the unique issues that concern the rural schools in this State.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS

Authority: Letter of 10-17-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).

Report by: House Study Committee on Safe Neighborhoods

Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006
Scope: Shall study the causes of unsafe neighborhoods and ways to promote and ensure safe neighborhoods.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SAFETY AND EMISSIONS INSPECTIONS EXEMPTIONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

SALARIES OF NONPROFIT DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

SALES AND INCOME TAXES

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.11, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study issues related to comprehensive reform and simplification of the existing State tax structure.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SALES AND USE TAX ISSUES

Authority: SL2005-276 §33.32, SB 622.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May make an interim report to the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session, and shall make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall study the equity of taxation of providers of cable service, direct-to-home satellite service, satellite digital audio radio service, video programming service, and data service, and the application of sales and use tax to maintenance agreements.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR LOCAL SCHOOL UNITS

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.21, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to providing for an exemption from the sales and use tax for local school administrative units.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SCHOOL-BASED AND SCHOOL-LINKED HEALTH CENTERS

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.59G(a), SB 622 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.14, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study issues relating to school construction and school capacity.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SCHOOL COUNSELOR JOB DESCRIPTION UPDATE

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.11, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study updating and clarifying the job description for public school guidance counselors.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SCHOOL EMPLOYEE SALARIES

Authority: SL2005-276 §7.47, SB 622.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: Not specified
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Shall research and study the current salary structure for teachers.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.16, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to the compensation of school psychologists, including annual salary supplements for licensed school psychologists who are employed by local school administrative units and certified by the National School Psychology Certification Board or other equivalent national certifying organization.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SCHOOL SUPPORT PERSONNEL ISSUES

Authority: SL2005-276 §7.38(b), SB 622.
Report by: Education Cabinet
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee

Report due: April 15, 2006
Scope: Shall study the extent to which school nurses, school social workers, and other instructional support personnel collaborate with each other and with local health, mental health, and social services providers to meet the needs of at-risk children and their families and to support the educational achievement of at-risk children; and the need for additional training

for school nurses, school social workers, and other instructional support personnel on multidisciplinary assessments and on referral and care coordination for at-risk students and their families.

SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

Authority: SL2005-276 §7.57, SB 622.
Report by: Department of Public Instruction
Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report due: The consultant shall report to the State Board of Education by December 1, 2005, the State Board of Education shall submit a plan to implement the consultants report by March 15, 2006.
Scope: An independent consultant shall study the current allotment formula for school transportation. The study shall consider whether: the current formula sufficiently encourages the efficient and effective use of school transportation funds by urban and rural school systems; the formula is adequately and equitably meeting the needs of school systems; and the formula is appropriate in light of the Leandro litigation. The consultant shall propose options for reducing the severe and growing disparity in funding that exists under the formula among local school administrative units.
Contact: Rita Joyner
State Board of Education
Legislative Liaison
(919) 807-4035

SELF-SERVE CENTERS

Authority: SL2006-248 §35, HB 1723.
Report by: Administrative Office of the Courts
Report to: House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety.
Report due: No later than December 31, 2007.
Scope: In consultation with the North Carolina Bar Association, the North Carolina Legal Services Planning Council, Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc., the North Carolina Justice Center, and Pisgah Legal Services shall study the most effective way to address the increasing numbers of persons who either cannot afford representation or choose to represent themselves in family law matters and in some civil litigation.
Contact: Alison Flerl, Communications Officer
Judicial Department
(919) 715-4910

SEVERANCE PAY CHANGES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN

Authority: SL2006-248 §53.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Study Committee on Sex Offender registration and Internet Crimes Against Children
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall submit a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: Shall study sex offender registration laws and internet crimes against children.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN (HOUSE)

Authority: Letter of 09-28-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Sex Offender Registration and Internet Crimes Against Children
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006
Scope: Shall study sex offender registration laws and internet crimes against children.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION LAWS

Authority: Letter of 02-08-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on Sex Offender Registration Laws
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report due by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the sex offender registration laws.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SICK LEAVE BANK AND FAMILY LEAVE

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, and 2.1(n), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

SKILLED NURSING FACILITY REIMBURSEMENT

Authority: SL2006-66 §10.11(c)-(b), SB 1741.
Report by: Office of Internal Auditor and Division of Medical Assistance, Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: On or before November 1, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the reimbursement system for skilled nursing facilities and develop recommendations regarding rebasing the payment rates for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH CARE

Authority: Letter of 09-21-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Senate Select Committee on Small Business Health Care
Report to: Senate
Report due: Shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Description: Shall study ways to improve affordability of health insurance for employees of small businesses.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH INSURANCE

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

SMALL BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

SMART START AND CHILD CARE FUNDING

Authority: SL2006-248 §26.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Smart Start and Child Care Funding Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall a final report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Description: The Commission shall study the funding of the North Carolina Partnership for Children.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

SMART START FUNDING

Authority: SL2005-276 §10.65(a), SB 622.
Report by: NC Partnership for Children, Inc.
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: March 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study its allocation of funds to local partnerships. Shall study funding equity among all counties and local partnerships based on population, the number of children from birth to five years of age residing in the county region, economic indicators, and the quality of existing child care. Shall develop strategies to alleviate the inequality of funds to local partnerships.
Contact: Karen Ponder
(919) 821-7999

SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES

Authority: SL2006-248 §3.10, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the issue of smoking in public places.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SOLID WASTE ISSUES

Authority: SL2006-244 §4(a), SB 353.
Report by: Environmental Review Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: With the assistance of the Division of Waste Management of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, shall study issues related to solid waste.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

SOUND BASIC EDUCATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.23, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study strategies and resources that contribute to the opportunity for NC students to obtain a sound basic education.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

SOUND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR FORESTLAND

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.5, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study the need for providing owners of forestland more flexibility in demonstrating that their forestland is operated under a sound management program in order to qualify for present-use value property tax status.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL MODERNIZATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §47.1, HB 1723.
Report by: State and Local Fiscal Modernization Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall report no later than May 1, 2007.
Scope: The Commission shall: (1) Examine State and local revenue sharing and taxing authority, and the division of responsibility for providing for infrastructure, public education, Medicaid and other needs. (2) Examine North Carolina's revenue- and responsibility-sharing between State and local governments compared to those in other states. (3) Review the existing State tax code and recommend ways to modernize it. (4) Examine the current authority of local government to levy taxes and fees and recommend any changes in such authority. (5) Examine local governments' ability to pay for services required by their citizens. (6) Recommend to the Governor and the General Assembly needed changes in State and local tax structure and sharing of revenues and responsibilities. (7) Study and recommend a permanent financing strategy leading to the elimination of county financial participation in Medicaid services.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE BUSINESS TAXATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.4, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study reforming and simplifying State taxation of business enterprises.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE CONSTRUCTION INSPECTIONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §15.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Legislative Study Commission on State Construction Inspections
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission may report by the convening of the 2007 General Assembly.
Description: The Commission shall study the following: (1) The scope and nature of each type of inspection of private and public construction projects performed or required by State agencies. (2) The extent to which State inspections overlap with inspections performed by local governments. (3) The total cost of the State's inspection of public and private construction projects. (4) The comparative efficiencies and efficacies of each type of inspection of private and public construction projects performed or required by State agencies to determine whether: a. The inspections can be combined to save the costs of administration and to limit any hardships on public and private entities engaged in construction projects. b. Any inspections should be otherwise modified in scope or eliminated. (5) The level of training of the various inspectors in the State agencies and whether the training is satisfactory for the types of inspections performed. (6) Whether changes in the process to review plans submitted to and approved by the Commissioner of Insurance and the Department of Administration could enhance cost savings and promotion of one-time completion of projects. (7) Any other matter related to increasing the efficiency and efficacy of the State's inspection of public and private construction projects.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE DISABILITY INCOME PLAN AND OTHER RELATED PLANS

Authority: SL2006-248 §17.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Study Commission on the State Disability Income Plan and Other Related Plans
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall submit a report not later than January 1, 2007.
Scope: The Commission shall study the plan design, funding, and administration of the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina established pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 135 of the General Statutes, the Death Benefit Plan established pursuant to G.S. 135-5(1), and the Separate Insurance Benefits Plan for State and Local Governmental Law Enforcement Officers established pursuant to G.S. 143-166.60 to determine what changes, if any, should be made to those Plans. The Commission shall consider what changes could be made to the Plans that would enhance the efficiency of and reduce the cost of the Plans to the State and its employees.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE DISABILITY PLAN AND OTHER RELATED PLANS (SENATE)

Authority: Letter of 10-25-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Senate Study Committee on the State Income Disability Plan and Other Related Plans
Report to: Senate
Report due: Shall submit a report not later than December 31, 2006.

Description: Shall study the plan design, funding, and administration of the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina established pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 135 of the General Statutes, the Death Benefit Plan established pursuant to G.S. 135 5(l), and the Separate Insurance Benefits Plan for State and Local Governmental Law Enforcement Officers established pursuant to G.S. 143 166.60 to determine what changes, if any, should be made to those Plans. The Committee shall consider what changes could be made to the Plans that would enhance the efficiency of and reduce the cost of the Plans to the State and its employees.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION AND PERSONNEL POLICIES

Authority: SL2006-66 §22.15A(b), SB 1741.
Report by: Not specified
Report to: Not specified
Report due: Not specified
Scope: It is the intent of the 2005 General Assembly to authorize a legislative study commission to review and evaluate the compensation and other personnel policies affecting employees and employing agencies of State government.

STATE EMPLOYEE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

STATE EMPLOYEE MEDIATION AND BACKLOG OF APPEALS PROCESS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

STATE EMPLOYEES' DISABILITY PLANS

Authority: Letter of 3-16-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Committee on the NC State Employees' Disability Plans
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: June 1, 2005
Scope: Shall study the plan design, funding, and administration of the Disability Income Plan of NC, the Death Plan, and the Separate Insurance Benefits Plan for State and Local Government Law Enforcement Officers to determine what changes, if any, should be made to the Plans that would enhance the efficiency of and reduce the cost of the Plans to the State and its employees.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE FAIR HOUSING ACT

Authority: SL2006-248 §33, HB 1723.
Report by: Human Relations Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: Shall study whether the State Fair Housing Act should be amended to make it an unlawful discriminatory housing practice to refuse to enter into a residential real estate transaction with a person based upon the fact that the person receives public assistance due to age or

physical or mental disability. In studying this issue, the Commission shall review the laws of other states related to housing discrimination and determine the extent to which certain forms of public assistance are protected under those laws. While conducting the study, the Commission shall consult with representatives from the residential real estate and residential rental community.

Contact: George Allison, Director
(919) 733-7996

STATE LABORATORIES CONSOLIDATION

Authority: SL2005-276 §6.36(a), SB 622; SL2005-345 §4, HB 320.
Report by: Office of State Budget and Management
Report to: General Assembly, and Fiscal Research Division
Report due: May 1, 2006
Scope: Shall hire an independent consultant to study the feasibility of consolidating laboratory functions and identification of duplicative functions State-funded laboratories, and develop a plan to consolidate these laboratories. The laboratories to be considered for consolidation include the Public Health State Laboratory in DHHS, the Agricultural Laboratory in the Veterinary Division of the Department of Agriculture, and the SBI Crime Laboratories in the Department of Justice.

Contact: Charles Perusse, Deputy State Budget Director
Office of State Budget and Management
(919) 807-4700

STATE PERSONNEL

Authority: Letter of 02-24-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Study Committee on State Personnel
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report due by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall conduct a comprehensive review of the State Personnel Act that governs the human resource system for approximately 89,000 employees in State departments, agencies, and institutions, including the University of North Carolina system, and approximately 30,000 local government employees. The Committee may consider and recommend changes to the State Personnel Act, including recommendations to rewrite the State Personnel Act in an effort to develop a contemporary human resource system that is more effective, cost-efficient, and beneficial to employees and taxpayers.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE PERSONNEL ACT

Authority: SL2006-221 §21A(b), SB 198.
Report by: Legislative Study Commission on the State Personnel Act
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May provide interim reports and shall provide its final report by May 1, 2008.
Description: The Commission shall:
Review Chapter 126 of the General Statutes, the State Personnel Act, to determine whether the Act should be revised or repealed, in whole or in part. Consider the efficacy of changes in policy related to the following: classification system, compensation philosophy, salary structure, merit-based pay, pay equity, pay delivery, and performance evaluation. Evaluate career banding as an alternative to the traditional classification system, considering career progression salary adjustments as compared to current compensation increase philosophy,

government/private industry best practices, and the real and perceived impact to State employees of moving to a career banding classification system. Review any other matter that the Commission finds relevant to its charge.

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

STATE PERSONNEL STATUTES

Authority: SL2004-161 §5.1, SB 1152; SL2006-248 §42, HN 1723.

Report by: Legislative Study Commission on State Personnel Statutes

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Interim report to 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session, and final report to 2007 General Assembly.

Scope: May study issues related to the State Personnel Act

Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

STEM CELL RESEARCH

Authority: Letter of 03-01-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).

Report by: House Select Committee on Stem Cell Research

Report to: House of Representatives

Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report due by December 31, 2006.

Scope: Shall study the State's role in stem cell research, including enacting laws limiting or expanding current research efforts and providing State funds to scientists doing research in this area.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

STRATEGIES FOR TARGETING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.10, HB 1723.

Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: Shall study strategies for targeting educational programs and resources to improve K-12 education for all students.

Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

STREAMLINE FORMS REQUIRED BY INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

SUPERIOR COURT DISCOVERY

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(a), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].

Report by: Legislative Research Commission

Report to: General Assembly

SWANNANOVA PROPERTY FOR WOMEN'S CORRECTIONAL FACILITY AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Authority: SL2006-66 §16.8, SB 1741.
Report by: Department of Correction and Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
Report to: Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, and Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee
Report due: By November 10, 2006.
Scope: Shall prepare a joint report regarding the proposed joint use by both departments of the Swannanoa property currently used to operate the Swannanoa Valley Youth Development Center. The report shall evaluate the feasibility of using that property for both of the following: (i) to establish an adult female correctional center and (ii) to continue to operate a juvenile youth development center.
Contact: Legislative Liaison
Department of Correction
(919) 716-3700

SYSTEM OF CARE COMMON IDENTIFIERS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR SECTION 529 PLANS

Authority: SL2006-66 §24A.4(a), SB 1741.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study providing income tax deductions for all contributions to section 529 plans regardless of the amount of the contribution or the particular plan to which a contribution is made.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TAX EQUITY EFFECT OF TAX INCENTIVES

Authority: SL2006-252 §1.1, HB 2170.
Report by: Department of Commerce
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: First report due June 1, 2009.
Scope: Shall study the effect of the tax incentives provided in this Article (G.S. 105 Article 31) on tax equity.
Contact: Don Hobart, General Counsel and Liaison
Department of Commerce
(919) 733-3448

TAX INCENTIVES EFFECTIVENESS

Authority: SL2006-252 §1.1, HB 2170.
Report by: Department of Commerce

Report to: General Assembly
Report due: First report due June 1, 2009.
Scope: Shall study the effectiveness of the tax incentives provided in this Article. (G.S. 105 Article 31).
Contact: Don Hobart, General Counsel and Liaison
Department of Commerce
(919) 733-3448

TAX ON LOTTERY WINNINGS/COMMUNITY COLLEGE EQUIPMENT

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.20, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to earmarking the tax collected on lottery winnings for community college equipment.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TAX POLICY CHANGES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

TAX REFUND CONTRIBUTIONS TO CHARITABLE CAUSES

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.8, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study the issue of providing space on individual income tax forms for taxpayers to make a contribution of all or part of their refunds to support various charitable causes.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TAX REFUND DONATION FOR PROSTATE CANCER

Authority: SL2006-248 §7.6, HB 1723.
Report by: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: May study allowing taxpayers to contribute income tax refunds for prostate cancer research.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TAX REEVALUATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

TEACHER ASSISTANT SALARY SCHEDULE

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.2, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study establishing a salary schedule for teacher assistants.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TEACHER ASSISTANT SALARY SCHEDULE

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.19, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study issues related to the teacher assistant salary schedule.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TELEMONITORING EQUIPMENT IN HOME CARE SERVICES

Authority: SL2006-66 §10.9C, SB 1741; SL2006-194 §1, SB 1280.
Report by: Division of Medical Assistance, Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Fiscal Research Division, and Study Commission on Aging.
Report due: No later than July 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall implement a pilot program to evaluate the use of telemonitoring equipment in home care services and community-based long-term care services. The pilot program shall be implemented by October 1, 2006, and shall evaluate the use of telemonitoring equipment as a tool to improve the health of home care clients and community-based long-term care clients through increased monitoring and responsiveness, and resulting in increased stabilization rates and decreased hospitalization rates. The evaluation shall include a representative number of older adults. The report shall include findings and recommendations on the cost-effectiveness of telemonitoring and the benefits to individuals and health care providers.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

TESTING REFORM

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.12, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study the State's testing program.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TICKET TO WORK PROGRAM

Authority: SL2006-66 §10.9(b), SB 1741.

Report by: Department of Health and Human Services
Report to: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and Fiscal Research Division.
Report due: Not later than March 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study and develop a plan for the implementation of the Ticket to Work Program.
Contact: Glenda Parker, Administration Officer
DHHS
(919) 733-4534

TOTAL TEACHER PROGRAM

Authority: SL2004-161 §13.13, SB 1152.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: May study the Total Teacher Program, considering the effectiveness of the program, the experience of schools in other states in using the program, the cost and potential savings due to the program, and other matters related to the program
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TRACK STUDENTS THROUGHOUT EDUCATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.6, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study the feasibility of tracking students throughout their education.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

TRANSFERRING THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAM

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1(c), HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

TREATMENT SERVICES FUNDING/DRUG TREATMENT COURTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

TUITION WAIVER EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Authority: SL2005-276 §9.25(b), SB 622.
Report by: UNC Board of Governors, and State Board of Community Colleges

Report to: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report due: April 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study the feasibility of a tuition waiver exchange program under which full-time employees of UNC would be allowed to take a specified number of courses at a community college without paying tuition, and full-time employees of a community college would be allowed to take a specified number of courses at a constituent institution of UNC without paying tuition.
Contact: Suzanne Williams, Assistant to the President for Governmental Affairs
Community Colleges System Office
(919) 807-6960
Andy Willis
VP for Government Relations University Affairs
(919) 962-7096

21ST CENTURY REVENUE SYSTEM

Authority: SL2004-161 §46.1, SB 1152; SL2006-248 §38, HB 1723.
Report by: Legislative Study Commission on a 21st Century Revenue System
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim report to the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session, and final report upon the convening of the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: To build on the recommendations of past legislative and executive branch commissions to design a realignment of the State and local revenue system in accordance with a clear consistent tax policy in light of modern economic, social, and political conditions.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

UNC BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Authority: SL2004-161 §22.1, SB 1152.
Report by: UNC Board of Governors Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the method of election or appointment of members of the Board of Governors, the length of members' terms, the number of terms a member may serve, and the size of the Board. May examine the governing boards of other states' institutions of higher education.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

UNC BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Authority: SL2006-248 §19.1, HB 1723.
Report by: UNC Board of Governors Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Description: The Commission shall continue the work of prior UNC Board of Governors Study Commissions and study the method of election or appointment of members of the Board of Governors, the length of members' terms, the number of terms a member may serve, and the size of the Board of Governors. As part of the study, the Commission may examine the governing boards of other states' institutions of higher education.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

UNC BOARD OF GOVERNORS (SENATE)

Authority: Letter of 09-15-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Senate Select Committee on the University of North Carolina Board of Governors
Report to: Senate
Report due: The Committee shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: The Committee shall continue the work of prior UNC Board of Governors Study Commissions and study the method of election or appointment of members of the Board of Governors, the length of members' terms, the number of terms a member may serve, and the size of the Board of Governors. As part of the study, the Commission may examine the governing boards of other states' institutions of higher education.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS/SHORTEN EMPLOYER RESPONSE TIME

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

UNFIT DWELLINGS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

UNIFORM UNINCORPORATED NONPROFIT ASSOCIATION ACT

Authority: SL2004-161 §7.1, SB 1152.
Report by: General Statutes Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: To study the Uniform Unincorporated Nonprofit Association Act in consultation with interested parties.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

URBAN TRANSPORTATION NEEDS

Authority: SL2003-383 §5(d); HB 48.
Report by: Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Solutions to North Carolina's Urban Transportation Needs
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim report to the 2003 General Assembly 2004 Regular Session, and final report to the 2005 General Assembly
Scope: To study the unique mobility needs of urban areas in North Carolina. Shall study innovative financing approaches to mitigate urban congestion, local revenue options to give more control to urban areas, any urban transportation issues approved by co-chairs and Secretary of Transportation.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

UTILITY RELOCATION

Authority: SL2006-248 §4.2, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: May study the use of incentives, disincentives, and other contractual measures by the DOT to expedite relocation of public utilities for highway construction projects.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

VALIDITY OF INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION STATISTICS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

VICTIM RESTITUTION

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

VIDEO CONFERENCING

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

VOLUNTARY DISABILITY DESIGNATION ON DRIVERS LICENSES

Authority: SL2006-248 §11, HB 1723.
Report by: Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: No later than June 1, 2007.
Scope: Shall study a method to implement a voluntary disability designation on drivers licenses, State-issued ID cards, and vehicle registration.
Contact: Susan Coward
Legislative Liaison
(919) 733-2520

VOTER PAPER TRAIL

Authority: Letter of 11-19- 2004; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Joint Select Committee on Electronic Voting Systems
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: April 30, 2006
Scope: This committee is formed to study the issues in SL2004-161, Part XII (Voter Paper Trail Study; which read: Shall study the issue of whether direct record electronic (DRE) voting systems should be prohibited in North Carolina unless each unit of the system produces a voter-verifiable paper record that is suitable for a recount or a manual audit and that is equivalent or superior to the paper record produced by a paper ballot system.)
Committee replaces Electronic Voting Systems Study Commission, which never met.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

WATER QUALITY IN DRINKING WATER SUPPLY RESERVOIRS

Authority: SL2005-190 §2(a), SB 981.

Report by: Environmental Management Commission
Report to: Environmental Review Commission
Report due: May 1, 2006
Scope: Shall study the water quality in drinking water supply reservoirs in the State to determine whether the reservoirs meet current water quality standards. The Commission shall analyze existing data and report its findings and recommendations.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

WATERFRONT ACCESS

Authority: SL2006-248 §45.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Waterfront Access Study Committee
Report to: Joint Legislative Commission on Seafood and Aquaculture, the Marine Fisheries Commission, and the Coastal Resources Commission
Report due: The Committee may submit an interim report no later than January 15, 2007. The Committee shall submit a final no later than April 15, 2007.
Scope: The Committee, with the assistance of the Sea Grant College Program of The University of North Carolina and the North Carolina Coastal Resources Law, Planning, and Policy Center, shall study the degree of loss and potential loss of the diversity of uses along the coastal shoreline of North Carolina and how these losses impact access to the public trust waters of the State.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

WEIGH-IN-MOTION DATA ACCESS

Authority: SL2006-66 §21.5(b), HB 1723.
Report by: Department of Transportation
Report to: Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee
Report due: By October 1, 2006.
Scope: Shall report the effectiveness of the access to weigh-in-motion sites, the collected data, and use of these sites as a vehicle weight screening technology to increase the effectiveness of Motor Carrier Enforcement activities
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WEST REGIONAL FACILITY MAINTENANCE

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

WILMINGTON RACE RIOT

Authority: SL2000-138 §17.1(b), SB 787; SL2002-180 §3.1, SB 98; and SL2004-161 §41.1, SB 1152.
Report by: 1898 Wilmington Race Riot Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: December 31, 2005
Scope: Shall develop an historical record of the 1898 Wilmington Race Riot.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

WILMINGTON RACE RIOT

Authority: Letter of 01-01-2006, pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report by: Joint 1898 Wilmington Race Riot Study Committee.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: On or before May 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall develop an historical record of the 1898 Wilmington Race Riot. The final report may include suggestions for a permanent marker or memorial, and whether to designate the event with a historical site.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

WIRELESS 911 AND EMERGENCY TELEPHONE ISSUES

Authority: SL2006-248 §6.2, HB 1723.
Report by: Joint Legislative Utility Review Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Upon the convening of the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session, and upon the convening of the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall study the following issues related to G.S. 62A Article 1: mechanisms for increased accountability for the collection and spending of 911 funds by local governments; modification of what constitutes an authorized expenditure from an Emergency Telephone System Fund; whether to adopt a statewide, uniform 911 charge; whether to create a State Emergency Telephone Fund; whether to designate the Community College System as the preferred provider of training for public safety answering point staff; any other issues determined to be relevant.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

WORKER RETRAINING

Authority: SL2006-248 §40.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Study Commission on Worker Retraining
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall submit a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: The Commission shall examine: (1) Business incentives that encourage employers to support efforts by employees to retrain in order to qualify for higher paying or nonexportable jobs by allowing employees time off, reimbursing employees for education expenses, or providing other support. (2) Successful retraining incentive programs in this and other states.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

WORKFORCE PREPARATION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Authority: SL2006-248 §5.11, HB 1723.

Report by: Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: May study workforce preparation in the public schools.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT AMENDMENTS

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND INJURIES TO EXTREMITIES

Authority: SL2006-248 §2.1, HB 1723 [LRC took no action].
Report by: Legislative Research Commission
Report to: General Assembly

WORKERS' COMPENSATION DISABILITY BENEFITS

Authority: SL2005-448 §1(a), HB 99.
Report by: Study Committee on Workers' Compensation Benefits
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall report to the 2006 Regular Session, and make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening
Scope: Shall study disability benefits available under the Workers' Compensation Act.
Contact: See Committee listing in Part II of this volume.

YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS

Authority: SL2006-248 §34.1, HB 1723.
Report by: Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: March 1, 2007
Scope: May study issues related to the conviction and sentencing of youthful offenders aged 16 to 21 years, to determine whether the State should amend the laws concerning these offenders, including, but not limited to, revisions of the Juvenile Code and/or the Criminal Procedure Act that would provide appropriate sanctions, services, and treatment for such offenders. In conducting the study, the Commission may review the laws concerning juveniles and youthful offenders from the federal government, other states, and the relevant North Carolina laws and programs. The Commission shall consult with the Department of Correction, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and the Department of Public Instruction in conducting the study.
Contact: See Commission listing in Part II of this volume.

PART II : STUDY COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, and TASK FORCES

ABANDONED CEMETERIES, HOUSE STUDY COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 02-10-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Interim report by May 1, 2006, and final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall review existing statutes relating to cemeteries, make recommendations to the GA concerning new statutes, and assist the Dept. of Cultural Resources in its efforts to collect information on abandoned cemeteries.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE

Authority: GS 120-70.100

Report to: General Assembly

Scope: To review rules to which the Rules Review Commission has objected to determine if statutory changes are needed to enable the agency to fulfill the intent of the General Assembly; to receive reports prepared by the Rules Review Commission containing the text and a summary of each rule approved by the Commission; to prepare a notebook containing administrative rules approved by the Rules Review Commission and reported to the Committee and to notify each member of the General Assembly of the availability of the notebook; to review State regulatory programs to determine if the rules are necessary or can be streamlined; to review the rule-making process to determine if the procedures for adopting rules give the public adequate notice of and information about proposed rules; to review other concerns about administrative law to determine if statutory changes are needed; and to report to the General Assembly on the Committee's activities and recommendations.

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ADVISORY BUDGET COMMISSION

Authority: GS 143-4

Scope: At end of each fiscal year shall contract with a CPA to audit receipts and expenditures of the State Auditor’s office, and make biennial inspection of those physical facilities of the State it deems necessary.

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AGING, STUDY COMMISSION ON

Authority: GS 120-180

Report to: General Assembly; Governor

Scope: To study and evaluate the existing system of delivery of State services to the elderly and recommends improvements to the system to meet present and future needs

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Authority: GS 120-150
Report to: General Assembly
Scope: Increases public awareness of influence of agriculture and forestry, studies and identifies problems

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AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER (ASD), LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND FIRST RESPONDERS, JOINT STUDY COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 11-21-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a) and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim report by May 1, 2006, and final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the inclusion of autism-specific training and education in public safety training as well as in-service training in the CJE and Training Standards Commission Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) and the Community College System Public Safety and First Responder Continuing Education.

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BENEFICIAL USES OF INDUSTRIAL HEMP, STUDY COMMISSION ON THE

Authority: SL2006-248 §55.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall make a final report by December 1, 2006
Description: The Commission shall study the many beneficial industrial uses of industrial hemp, including the use of industrial hemp oil as an alternative fuel and the use of industrial hemp fiber in construction and paper products. The Commission shall examine the economic opportunities industrial hemp provides to the State and consider the desirability and feasibility of authorizing industrial hemp cultivation and production as a farm product in North Carolina.

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BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COUNCILS, STUDY COMMISSION ON STATE

Authority: SL2006-248 §39.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any legislative recommendations, to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Description: The Commission shall examine the organization, powers, duties, functions, and funding of State boards, commissions, and councils.

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CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS, SENATE STUDY COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 11-14-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: Senate
Report due: No later than December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study possible changes to campaign finance laws, considering in its study the following: (1) Disclosure requirements or other regulations pertaining to legal assistance funds for candidates, elected officials, political committees and other organizations engaged in campaign-related or political activities; (2) Clarifying definitions and regulations of political committees that engage in express advocacy for the purposes of clarifying disclosure requirements; (3) At the discretion of the chair, any other measures designed to improve the electoral process.

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CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: G.S. 120-258
Report to: General Assembly
Scope: Shall, on a continuing basis, examine capital improvements approved and undertaken for State facilities and institutions, and, shall have oversight over implementation of the Capital Improvements Planning Act.

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Energy and water conservation in State-owned facilities

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT, HOUSE SELECT STUDY COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report by: House Select Study Committee on Capital Punishment
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: January 23, 2007.
Scope: May study all aspects of capital punishment.

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH, LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON

Authority: GS 120-215
Report to: General Assembly and Governor
Scope: Shall study and evaluate the system of delivery of services to children and youth and make recommendations. Study is continuing and ongoing.

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CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE TASK FORCE

- Authority: SL2006-248 §48.1, HB 1723.
- Report to: General Assembly, and to the chairs of the Senate Health Committee, the House of Representatives Health Committee, the House Aging Committee, and the Governor.
- Report due: If convened shall submit its interim report and recommendations to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening,. The final report shall be submitted no later than the convening of the 2008 General Assembly.
- Scope: If the Task Force is convened, it shall develop a plan to: (1) Reduce the occurrence of chronic kidney disease by controlling the most common risk factors, diabetes and hypertension, through preventive efforts at the community level and disease management efforts in the primary care setting. (2) Educate the public and health care professionals about the advantages and methods of early screening, diagnosis, and treatment of chronic kidney disease and its complications based on Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative Clinical Practice Guidelines for chronic kidney disease or other medically recognized clinical practice guidelines. (3) Educate health care professionals about early renal replacement therapy education for patients (including in center dialysis, home hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis as well as vascular access options and transplantation) prior to the onset of ESRD when kidney function is declining. (4) Make recommendations on the implementation of a cost effective plan for prevention, early screening, diagnosis, and treatment of chronic kidney disease and its complications for the State's population. (5) Identify current barriers to adoption of best practices and potential policy options to address these barriers.

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COMPENSATION OF STATE ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: SL2006-248 §22.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: Shall study the matters that impact compensation and benefits for State elected and appointed officials. The following State elected and appointed officials shall be included in the study by the Commission: the Governor and Lieutenant Governor; the Council of State; the Governors Cabinet; Members of the General Assembly; Justices of the Supreme Court, Judges of the Court of Appeals, Judges of the Superior Court, and Judges of the District Court.

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COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 02-23-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Interim report by May 1, 2006, and final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study: types of complementary and alternative health care services currently being offered and used in North Carolina; ways to remove current restrictions and facilitate access of consumers to complementary and alternative health care practitioners who are providing health care services not currently covered by existing medical licensing laws; the impact of Health Freedom legislation in other states; and any other matter that the Committee deems appropriate or necessary to provide proper information to the General Assembly on the subject of the study.

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COORDINATION OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: SL2005-276 §20.25(i), SB 622.

Report to: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, and Fiscal Research Division.

Report due: Annually on April 1.

Scope: To study and recommend changes to improve collaboration and coordination among agencies that provide services to children, youth, and families with multiple service needs. Recommendations shall include mechanisms for establishing clear State leadership, consistent policy direction, and increased accountability at the State and local levels.

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**CORRECTIONS, CRIME CONTROL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE,
JOINT LEGISLATIVE**

Authority: GS 120-70.93
Reports to: General Assembly
Scope: Examines on a continuing basis the correctional system in NC

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:
Expungement for non-violent felons
Juvenile detention centers

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COUNCIL OF STATE CONTESTED ELECTIONS, JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Pursuant to G.S. 163-182.13A; SL2005-3 §3(a), SB 82.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly 2005 Regular Session
Scope: To resolve the disputed election for the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

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Authority: GS 7A-506

Scope: Studies structure, organization, jurisdiction, procedures and personnel of Judicial Department; recommends changes to facilitate administration of justice

Additional Studies Referred/Assigned:

Organization of the general court of justice into districts and divisions

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DAY CARE AND RELATED PROGRAMS, LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON

Authority: SL2006-248 §56.1, HB 1723.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Shall make a final report by December 31, 2006.

Description: Shall study all of the following: (1) Assess the shortfalls and benefits of the various day care and related programs. (2) Consider needed adjustments, and possible program consolidations, and the necessary reprioritization of funds to realize the maximum benefit

to the State's children and families. (3) Consider how day care and related programs affect economic development today and in the future. (4) Review any other matter that the Commission finds relevant to its charge.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON THE BUDGET OF THE

Authority: SL2006-248 §50.1, HB 1723.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Shall report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: In performing a zero-based budget review of the Department of Public Instruction, the Commission shall include all of the following: Consider the mission and goals of the Department. Evaluate the mission and goals of the Department. Evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of the Department of Public Instruction in furthering the missions and goals of the Department, including any proposed revisions. Evaluate each program within the Department. Assess the activities performed in each program. Determine the level of funding and staff necessary to accomplish the goals and missions of the Department.

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DISADVANTAGED MINORITY-OWNED AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES PROGRAM, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Authority: G.S.120 270; SL2006-261 §5, HB 1827.

Scope: The Commission shall: (1) Monitor the implementation, and assess and evaluate the effectiveness, of the Department of Transportation program under G.S. 136-28.4. (2) Review the strategies the Department of Transportation plans to use to implement the requirements of G.S. 136-28.4. (3) Develop recommendations for submittal to the Department of Transportation or the General Assembly to improve the program under G.S. 136-28.4.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON

Authority: G.S. 120-265, SL2005-356, HB 569.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May make interim reports on matters for which it may report to a regular session of the General Assembly.
Scope: Shall examine, on a continuing basis, domestic violence issues in order to make ongoing recommendations to the General Assembly on ways to reduce incidences of domestic violence and to provide additional assistance to victims of domestic violence.

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DOROTHEA DIX HOSPITAL PROPERTY STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: SL2003-314 § 3.4(a), HB 684; SL2004-124 §10.26A, HB 1414; SL2005-7, HB 857; SL2006-248 §52, HB 1723.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Upon filing of final report, due date of which is not specified.

Scope: Shall study the sale of Dorothea Dix campus property no longer needed by the hospital and not transferred to another agency and make recommendations on options for sale of the property to the Governmental Operations Commission before any sale.

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 03-06-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006
Scope: May study all aspects of economic development programs.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INFRASTRUCTURE, STUDY COMMISSION ON

Authority: SL2006-248 §27.1, HB 1723.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Shall submit a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: The Commission shall examine the existing infrastructure for the delivery of economic development, including the many entities involved in economic development. The Commission shall develop a plan to restructure and consolidate the infrastructure for the delivery of economic development to improve its organization and effectiveness.

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Authority: G.S. 120-70.130; SL2005-241 §7, HB 1004.

Report to: General Assembly

Scope: Shall examine, on a continuing basis, economic growth and development issues and strategies in order to make ongoing recommendations to the GA on ways to promote cost-effective economic development initiatives.

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

- Bill Lee Act and Job Development Investment Grant Program
- Professional services reverse auction
- Public disclosure of economic development efforts

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EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 12-01-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: December 31, 2006
Scope: Shall study and recommend revisions to the general statutes governing the education of students with disabilities.

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EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE

Authority: GS 120-70.80
Report to: General Assembly
Scope: To study educational institutions and recommend ways to improve public education from kindergarten through higher education

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Appropriate education for students on long-term suspension
Appropriate education for suspended students
Attracting teachers to become coaches
Changes in education districts
Child nutrition services
Civics education
Class size funding formula for children with special needs
Closing achievement gap
Community college tuition reciprocity
Computer-based math and literacy programs
Corporal punishment policies
Education facility financing
E-textbooks for students
High school graduation/drop out rate
High school graduation rate incentives
Impact of student mobility on academic performance
Information requirements for school admission/assignment
In-state teacher tuition benefit
Joint education leadership team for disadvantaged students
Kindergarten admission requirements
Local school construction financing
Physical restraints/seclusion in schools
Raising the compulsory school attendance age
Rural schools
Sales tax exemption for local school units
School construction
School counselor job description update
School employee salaries
School psychologists
Sound basic education
Strategies for targeting educational programs and resources
Tax on lottery winnings/community college equipment
Teacher assistant salary schedule
Testing reform
Total teacher program
Track students throughout education
Workforce preparation in the public schools

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ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS, JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 11-19-2004; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: April 30, 2006

Scope: This committee is formed to study the issues in SL2004-161, Part XII (Voter Paper Trail Study; which read: Shall study the issue of whether direct record electronic (DRE) voting systems should be prohibited in North Carolina unless each unit of the system produces a voter-verifiable paper record that is suitable for a recount or a manual audit and that is equivalent or superior to the paper record produced by a paper ballot system.)

Note: *Committee replaces Electronic Voting Systems Study Commission (see below), which never met.*

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Authority: Letter of 02-03-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: General Assembly
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Scope: Shall study issues related to emergency preparedness and disaster management recovery.

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EMINENT DOMAIN POWERS, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 12-08-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the use of the power of eminent domain by local governments and other entities of the State

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Authority: GS 135-38

Scope: To review programs of hospital, medical and related care, and programs of long-term care benefits.

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ENERGY AND FUEL COSTS, JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 12-30-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: On or before February 1, 2006.
Scope: Shall examine and review: petroleum market; motor fuel tax rate and revenue allocation; comparison of taxes in southern states; impact of any proposed changes on transportation, project delivery, consumption behavior; home heating fuel taxes; impact of petroleum market on home heating fuel costs; public assistance for home heating fuel costs; and impact of changes in home heating fuel costs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: SL2006-244 §5(a), HB 353.
Report to: General Assembly and the Environmental Review Commission
Report due: The Committee shall report on or before 1 February 2007.
Scope:: The Committee shall study: The location of landfills in the State. The impacts that landfills located in proximity to minority and low-income communities have on these communities with regard to human health, the environment, and economic development. Factors, including economic factors, that may have caused landfills to be concentrated in minority and low-income communities in the State. Past enforcement actions taken by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or the Department of Environment and Natural Resources for violations affecting human health or the environment at any landfill in the State. Statutes, rules, and policies used by State, regional, and local governments, and a review of the role played by these entities to influence or make siting and land-use decisions concerning landfills in the State. Data and methodologies by which State, regional, and local governments might become more specifically aware of situations in which neighborhoods are at particularly high risk for potential threats to human health and the environment from the siting of landfills. Approaches to ensure consideration of environmental justice and equity issues when formulating and implementing policies, procedures, and legislation within governmental agencies and other institutions.

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ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Authority: GS 143B-282
Report to: Environmental Review Commission
Report due: The Environmental Management Commission shall submit quarterly written reports as to its operation, activities, programs, and progress to the Environmental Review Commission. The Environmental Management Commission shall supplement the written reports required by this subsection with additional written and oral reports as may be requested by the Environmental Review Commission.
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Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Reduction in oxides of nitrogen and sulfur dioxide emissions
Water quality in drinking water supply reservoirs

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION

Authority: GS 120-70.41

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: From time to time Notwithstanding any rule or resolution to the contrary, proposed legislation to implement any recommendation of the Commission regarding any study the Commission is authorized to undertake or any report authorized or required to be made by or to the Commission may be introduced and considered during any session of the General Assembly.

Scope: Studies all issues and actions relating to the environment including the organization of State government; reviews and evaluates changes in federal law and regulations, court decisions, and changes in technology; makes reports and recommendations to the General Assembly.

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Abandoned mobile home
Ecological Enhancement Program merger with Clean Water Management Trust Fund
Leaking underground storage tank program
Mercury reduction and education
Nutrient offset payment program
Solid waste issues

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EQUINE INDUSTRY, JOINT STUDY COMMITTEE ON THE

- Authority: Letter of 12-08-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report on or before
December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study issues relating to the impact of the equine industry in North Carolina. The Pro
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ETHICS AND GOVERNMENTAL REFORM, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 12-05-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a); charge expanded by letter of 02-20-2006.

Report to: House of Representatives

Report due: Shall report on or before the convening of the 2006 Regular Session of the 2005 General Assembly

Scope: Shall examine the provisions of the 2005 rewrite of the lobbying law, S.L. 2005-456 (Senate Bill 612) to determine if portions of that law could be implemented prior to its original effective date of January 1, 2007 and determine whether any additional areas of lobbying regulation should be clarified or strengthened, including prohibiting lobbyists from raising funds for or personally contributing to political campaigns, and from holding any position in a legislative or executive branch campaign.

Examine the appropriateness of the scope of the State Ethics Board over executive branch actions, including the determination of whether this agency created by gubernatorial executive order should be codified into law and whether appointees made by any appointing authority to executive boards and commissions should be required under oath to submit to the State Ethics Board written statements of economic interest prior to assuming office.

Review needed changes to the Legislative Ethics Act, including reviewing the economic interest disclosure requirements for legislators to find ways to make these disclosures more comprehensive, improving the means by which this information is made available to the public, examining whether criminal punishments should be imposed for willfully providing false information or intentionally hiding information on a statement of economic interest, and assessing whether ethics training should be required for legislators and staff of the General Assembly on a regular basis.

Explore current campaign finance and election laws and recommend changes that will foster clarity and transparency, including imposing restrictions on how a candidate can spend leftover funds from a political campaign, ending the practice of using blank payee checks to contribute to candidates, and lowering the threshold requirement for full disclosure on campaign reports for individual contributions from \$100 to \$50.

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ETHICS COMMISSION, STATE

Authority: SL2004- §, SB .

Authority: G.S. 138A-6; SL2006-201 sec. 1

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Authority: GS 120-99

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EXPANDING RAIL SERVICE, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 12-07-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study costs and benefits of expanding rail freight and passenger service; the feasibility, cost and benefits of establishing commuter rail service; and ways to preserve unused and abandoned rail corridors for future rail needs

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EXPANDING RAIL SERVICE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON

Authority: SL2006-248 §49.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: Shall study the following matters related to expanding rail service in North Carolina:

The cost and benefits of expanding and upgrading rail service in the State, including the effect the expanded service would have on economic development.

The feasibility, cost, and benefits of establishing commuter rail service in the State to transport workers to cities from outlying areas, including the effect the commuter service would have on increasing the economic opportunities of those who live in the outlying areas.

The cost and benefits of expanding passenger rail service to the western and eastern areas of the State, including the effect the expanded service would have on tourism.

Ways to preserve unused or abandoned rail corridors for future rail needs. Spurring economic development and tourism through further development of short-line railroads.

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FUTURE OF ELECTRIC SERVICE IN NORTH CAROLINA, STUDY COMMISSION ON THE

Authority: SL97-40, SB 38; SL1999-122, HB 778; SL1999-395 §6.1, HB 163; SL2000-53, HB 1593; SL2000-67 §14.10, HB 1840.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Interim report to the 1997 General Assembly 1998 Regular Session, and shall report periodically thereafter and shall terminate June 30, 2006.

Scope: Shall study the cost, adequacy, availability and pricing of electric rates and service to determine whether legislation is necessary to assure adequate and reliable service and economical, fair and equitable rates for all consumers of electricity. Study shall include reliability, universal access, states reciprocity, stranded costs, state and federal jurisdiction, alternative regulation, customer choice of providers, and the impact of competition.

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FUTURE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: G.S. 120-245

Report to: General Assembly

Scope: Shall study the importance of railroads and railroad infrastructure to economic development including short-line railroads, and issues important to the future of passenger and freight rail service, methods to expedite property disputes between railroads and property owners, and all aspects of the operation, structure, management, and long-range plans of the N.C. Railroad.

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FUTURE STRATEGIES, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON

Authority: GS 120-84.6

Report to: General Assembly

Scope: To review future trends and events to consider the effect on NC and develop policy options for how State and local governments and the public can prepare to benefit

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GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION

Authority: GS 164-14

Scope: To review all matters involved in preparation and publication of laws, review statute research and corrections and issuance of supplements to the General Statutes, recommend changes in the law deemed advisable

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Chapter 20 (Motor Vehicle Act) consolidation
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GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE, LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON

Authority: SL2005-442, SB 1134; SL2006-73, SB 1591.
Report to: General Assembly, and Environmental Review Commission.
Report due: Shall submit an interim report no later than 15 January 2007 and may submit interim reports at other times at its discretion. Shall submit a final report on or before 1 November 2006, 15 April 2008.
Scope: Shall conduct an in-depth examination of issues related to global climate change.

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GLOBAL TRANSPARK AUTHORITY

Authority: GS 63A-3
Report to: Annual report - Governor; General Assembly; Local Government Commission
Quarterly reports - Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
Report due: Annual report due at close of each fiscal year
Scope: Shall establish, finance, purchase, construct, operate and regulate cargo airport complexes
Note: *The Board may consist of more than 14 members if the board of county commissioners in a county where land is located appoints a person to serve as a member.*
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GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Authority: SL2006-248 §46.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The results of the audit shall be reported on or before February 1, 2008.
Description: The Committee shall contract for a performance audit of the executive branch of State government. The goals of the audit are to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of State government and to identify specific ways to make improvements. The audit may examine entire departments, agencies, or institutions, or similar programs in several departments.

NOTE: The House and Senate created the Government Performance Audit Joint Select Committee by letter of 10-31-2006 in lieu of this committee.

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GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AUDIT JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE

Authority: Letter of 10-31-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
 Report to: General Assembly
 Report due: The Committee shall submit a report on or before December 31, 2006. The audit results shall be reported by the date specified in the contract.
 Scope: The Committee shall contract for a performance audit of the executive branch of State government. The goals of the audit are to evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of State government and to identify specific ways to make improvements. The audit may examine entire departments, agencies, or institutions, or similar programs in several departments.

NOTE: Created to replace Government Performance Audit Committee authorized by SL2006-248 §46.1.

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GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON

Authority: GS 120-71

Scope: To conduct evaluative studies of the programs, policies, practices and procedures of the various departments, agencies, and institutions of State government

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GROWTH STRATEGIES OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE

Authority: G.S. 120-70.120; SL2006-248 §9.2, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim reports may be made to a Regular Session, Final report January 16, 2007.
Scope: Shall examine, on a continuing basis, growth and development issues and strategies in order to make ongoing recommendations to the General Assembly on ways to promote comprehensive and coordinated local, regional, and State growth planning and public investment, taking into consideration regional differences. Committee may examine recommendations of the Commission to Address Smart Growth, Growth Management, and Development Issues, and other matters considered necessary.

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Extraterritorial operations of municipal public enterprises

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GUARDIANSHIP LAWS, HOUSE STUDY COMMITTEE ON THE STATE

- Authority:** Letter of 2-17-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study whether guardianship should be a remedy of last resort used only if less restrictive alternatives are insufficient, the definition of incompetency, whether courts should be required to make express findings regarding the extent of a person's incapacity, legal rights retained or lost as a result of being adjudicated incompetent, the proper role of attorneys and guardians ad litem in guardianship proceeding, the role of public human services agencies in providing guardianship services, legal procedures and protections in guardianship proceedings, public monitoring of guardianship, funding for guardianship services provided by public and nonprofit agencies, educating citizens with respect to guardianship and alternatives to guardianship, prudent investor rules, powers, duties, and liabilities of guardians, review of the State's adult protective services law, enactment of the Uniform Guardianship and Protective Proceedings Act (UGPPA), whether guardianship statutes need revision to provide greater protection of the health and welfare of incapacitated adults, whether the State should track the number of people under private guardianship and, if so, proposed methods for the tracking.

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HEALTH CARE, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Each Subcommittee may submit an interim report to the Select Committee on or before April 15, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 1, 2006. The Select Committee may submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study issues related to health care.
Comprised of the following six subcommittees:
Subcommittee on Access

Subcommittee on the Cost of Health Care and Health Insurance for Employees and Employers
 Subcommittee on Healthcare Workforce
 Subcommittee on Medicaid
 Subcommittee on Safety, Quality, Accountability
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Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House Select Committee on Health Care
Report due: May submit an interim report to the Select Committee on or before April 15, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 1, 2006.
Scope: Subcommittee to study access related issues of health care.

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HEALTH CARE, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON, SUBCOMMITTEE ON COST OF HEALTH CARE AND HEALTH INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS

Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House Select Committee on Health Care
Report due: May submit an interim report to the Select Committee on or before April 15, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 1, 2006.
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Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House Select Committee on Health Care
Report due: May submit an interim report to the Select Committee on or before April 15, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 1, 2006.
Scope: Subcommittee to study health care workforce related issues of health care.

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Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House Select Committee on Health Care
Report due: May submit an interim report to the Select Committee on or before April 15, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 1, 2006.
Scope: Subcommittee to study Medicaid related issues of health care.

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Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House Select Committee on Health Care
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Authority: Letter of 11-09-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House Select Committee on Health Care

Report due: May submit an interim report to the Select Committee on or before April 15, 2006, and shall submit a final report on or before December 1, 2006.
Scope: Subcommittee to study State Health Plan related issues of health care.

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Authority: GS 120-70.110
Report to: General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the delivery, availability and cost of health care in North Carolina, and other matters related to health care and health care coverage.

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HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, STUDY COMMISSION ON

Authority: SL2004-161 §34.1, SB 1152.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Interim report to the 2005 General Assembly 2005 Regular Session, and final report to the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session
Scope: To determine methods to increase the number of people providing health and dental care in this State and to overcome existing barriers contributing to the health care provider shortages.

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HEALTH INSURANCE ACCESSIBILITY, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON
Authority: SL2006-248 §20.1, HB 1723.

Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: The Commission shall study the legal, fiscal, and policy implications of various means of increasing accessibility to health insurance.
The Commission may study the creation of a North Carolina Health Insurance Risk Pool (H.B. 1535 - Insko, Holliman) and a North Carolina Fair Share Health Insurance Access Program (H.B. 2860 - Holliman).
The study shall specifically address strategies for increasing accessibility to health insurance by small employer groups, self-employed individuals, and individuals who are employed but uninsured.

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HEALTH INSURANCE INNOVATIONS COMMISSION

Authority: SL2004-175, HB 1463.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Not specified
Scope: Identify and evaluate comprehensively the problems small employers face when they attempt to obtain health insurance coverage for themselves and their employees and consider the impact these problems have for large employees and the communities they serve. Initiate regional demonstration projects to pilot innovative health care plans and products to address the problems identified. Develop clear and substantive recommendations for actions that must be taken by health insurance carriers, health care providers, government, small business employers, large business employers, consumers, and consumer groups.

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HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION AND DROP OUT RATES, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 09-28-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the need to raise the compulsory school attendance age.

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HISTORIC REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS REVIEW COMMITTEE

- Authority: SL97-443 §34.6(b), SB 352.
Scope: To review the Office of State Budget and Management’s proposal for use of funds from the Repairs and Renovations Fund for Historic Sites.
Membership: The three cochairs of the Senate Appropriations and Base Budget Committee, and the four cochairs of the House Appropriations Committee.

HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS TASK FORCE

Authority: SL2006-248 §25.1, HB 1723.
Report to: Secretary of Administration
Report due: The Task Force shall report on or before November 1, 2007
Scope: The Task Force shall propose criteria and procedures for: (i) the certification of businesses under G.S. 143-48 and G.S. 143-128.2 as Historically Underutilized Businesses; (ii) the creation and maintenance of a database of the businesses certified; and (iii) any other matters related to the certification of businesses as authorized in this section. In determining ownership of a business for purposes of certification, the Task Force shall use the definitions provided in G.S. 143-48 and G.S. 143-128.2.

HOME FORECLOSURES, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 02-03-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the causes of home foreclosures in NC and the appropriate role of the State government in helping homeowners remain in their residences.

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Authority: Floor Announcement of 02-16-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
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Authority: Email of 03-23-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Unspecified
Scope: Unspecified

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Authority: G.S. 120-230
Report to: General Assembly
Scope: Shall review current information technology that impacts public policy, including electronic data processing and telecommunications, software technology, and information processing. To develop electronic commerce in the State and to coordinate the use of information technology by State agencies in a manner that assures that the citizens of the State receive quality services from all State agencies and that the needs of the citizens are met in an efficient and effective manner.

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Report to: General Assembly
 Report due: The Commission shall submit a final report by February 1, 2007.
 Description: The Commission shall review the newly revised North Carolina Education Technology Plan developed by the North Carolina State Board of Education. The Commission's review shall also include best practices for using technology to enhance teaching and learning in North Carolina schools. The Commission shall review existing research-based best practices such as the IMPACT model, NC Wise Owl, and successful 1:1 (computer to student) initiatives across the State and nation. The Commission shall receive recommendations from the Business and Education Technology Alliance, the E-Learning Commission, the business community, and the North Carolina Center for 21st Century Skills.

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LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Authority: SL2006-223, SB 1122.
 Report to: General Assembly and Environmental Review Commission
 Report due: Shall report its on or before 1 February 2007.
 Scope: The Commission shall: Identify and evaluate the existing sources of State funding for: (i) the public acquisition of land or interests in land to protect drinking water quality and prevent polluted runoff, conserve rivers, wetlands, floodplains, coastal waters, working farms, working forests, local parks, State parks, game lands and other natural areas, urban forests, and land visible from scenic highways in North Carolina; (ii) historic preservation; and (iii) economic and community development tied to land and water conservation and historic preservation. Collect research and information from North Carolina and other states and jurisdictions regarding incentive based techniques and management tools used to protect land and water and assess the applicability of such tools and techniques to land conservation in North Carolina. Prepare a draft report with a statement of the issues, a summary of the research, and recommendations to address funding needs and other issues affecting land and water conservation in North Carolina. Hold at least three public meetings, including at least one meeting in the Mountains, Piedmont, and the Coastal Plain region of the State to present the draft report and recommendations to the public and user groups.

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LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION

Authority: GS 120-30.10

Report to: General Assembly
Scope: To conduct studies and investigations into governmental agencies, institutions, and matters of public policy; report to the General Assembly; request other State agencies, boards, commissions, or committees conduct studies if appropriate
Note: *The studies that the Legislative Research Commission is authorized to undertake are presented along with authorizing authority in Part I, arranged by subject matter heading.*

Because of the budget difficulties encountered by the State, the LRC took no action on the following studies:

- Additional sureties for public construction contracts
- Adequate public facilities ordinances
- Agency internal auditors
- Annexation
- Ban cell phone use while driving
- Banking laws
- Beneficiary designation and dependent survivors of TSERS
- Chapter 24 exemptions
- Construction cost threshold requirement for a general contractor's license
- Construction indemnity agreement issues
- Consumer credit counseling
- Cost control of medical services for persons in local confinement facilities
- Credit enhancement services
- Credit report identity theft
- Drug treatment courts
- DWI penalties for person under 21
- Effectiveness of the state purchasing and contract system
- Elimination of longevity pay
- Employee work incentives under the worker's compensation act
- Environmental review, permitting, and mitigation process in highway construction
- Equine industry
- Erroneous paternity judgments
- Exempt builders' inventories from property tax increases
- Exclusionary rule/good faith exception
- Flexible benefits program centralized under OSP
- For-profit recycling businesses
- Habitual felon statutes
- Health insurance access
- Hepatitis C
- High risk insurance
- Homestead exemption
- Horace Williams Airport
- Impact of ethics legislation on local elected officials
- Impact of regulation on the cost of housing
- Impact of undocumented immigrants
- Increase cap on award for loss of organ under workers' compensation
- Industrial commission's monitoring of filing of forms
- Legislative efficiency and operations
- Liabilities of general contractors to subcontractors
- Local government employees retirement system
- Loss of workers' compensation for fraud
- Manufactured homes/good faith evictions
- Men's health
- Minority incarceration
- Mortgage payoffs
- Motor vehicle repair
- Nanotechnology
- National guard pension fund

Naturopathic registration
 Peanut allergies/restaurant postings
 Personal information privacy
 Pharmacy benefits manager regulation
 Post-adoption contract
 Public building contract laws
 Racial bias and the death penalty
 Real estate dealers
 Recovery of costs in civil cases
 Red light camera clear proceeds
 Refusal rights-forced public partition sales
 Requirements for issuance of building permits for on-site business installation or repair of electrical equipment
 Safety and emissions inspections exemptions
 Salaries of nonprofit directors and executives
 School-based and school-linked health centers
 Severance pay changes
 Sick leave bank and family leave
 Small business health insurance
 State employee demonstration projects
 State employee mediation and backlog of appeals process
 Streamline forms required by industrial commission
 Superior court discovery
 System of care common identifiers
 Tax policy changes
 Tax reevaluation
 Trafficking of persons
 Transferring the deferred compensation program
 Treatment services funding/drug treatment courts
 Unemployment insurance claims/shorten employer response time
 Unfit dwellings
 Validity of industrial commission statistics
 Victim restitution
 Video conferencing
 West regional facility maintenance
 Wildlife Resources Commission membership
 Workers' compensation act amendments
 Workers' compensation and injuries to extremities

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Authority: GS 120-31

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LOCAL SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FINANCING STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: SL2004-124 §7.32, HB 1414; SL2006-248 §41.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2007 General Assembly

Scope: Shall examine the present system of local financing for school facilities and shall study alternative options for financing local school construction, renovation, repair, and maintenance. May study public-private partnerships for school construction and facility ownership, sale lease-back arrangements, private and commercial financing arrangements, design standards for school facilities that may facilitate alternative financing techniques, alternative local revenue sources for financing school facilities, the use of real estate investment trusts, State and local construction bond pools, and other financing issues deemed pertinent by the Commission.

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Authority: Letter of 04-06-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Shall report its findings and recommendations by 04/11/2005.
Scope: Shall study the establishment of a lottery in this State to fund education, which shall include the examination and formulation of legislation to create and implement a lottery and allocate its proceeds.

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LOTTERY BILL H. 1023, SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: Senate
Report due: Not specified
Scope: To examine HB 1023, and make recommendations.

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LOTTERY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Authority: G.S. 18C-172; SL2006-225, HB 2212.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Report by September 15 of each year.
Description: The Committee shall: (1) Review whether expenditures of the net revenues of the Lottery have been in accordance with Article 7 of this Chapter, and study ways to ensure that net proceeds from the Lottery will not be used to supplant education funding but to provide additional funding for education. (2) Receive and review reports submitted to the General Assembly pursuant to Chapter 18C of the General Statutes. (3) Study other Lottery matters as the Committee considers necessary to fulfill its mandate.

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LOTTERY PROCEEDS FOR CHARTER SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION FUNDING, HOUSE STUDY COMMITTEE ON USE OF

Authority: Letter of 09-29-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: Shall submit a report not later than December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall review existing statutes relating to charter schools funding with emphasis on funds available for school construction, renovation, and expansion. The Committee will examine the general statutes that established the North Carolina Education Lottery, and may make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning funding for charter school construction and for the purchase of land for charter schools from lottery receipts.

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LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE, JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: GS 120-70.31
Report to: General Assembly
Scope: To study alternatives for dealing with low-level radioactive waste; review and evaluate changes in federal law and regulations, court decisions, and changes in technology; reviews proposed State law and rules; report from time to time to the General Assembly
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MANDATORY COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE FOR RETIREES OF THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, HOUSE SELECT COMMISSION ON A

Authority: SL2006-248 §10.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall submit a final report on or before the convening of the 2007 General Assembly.
Scope: The Commission shall study the cost and feasibility of an automatic annual retirement allowance increase that equals the prior year ratio of the unadjusted 12-month (December to December) Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers. The Commission shall consider the benefit to retirees, the cost and actuarial soundness of a mandatory increase, and shall determine whether a mandatory increase adheres to sound retirement and pension policy. In conducting the study, the Commission shall obtain an actuarial analysis and appropriate input from the Retirement Systems Division of the Department of State Treasurer.

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MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: GS 120-240
Scope: Shall examine, on a continuing basis, statewide system issues affecting the development, financing, administration, and delivery of mental health, developmental disabilities and substance abuse services, including issues related to the governance, accountability, and quality of services delivered.

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

- Alcohol and drug education traffic (ADET) schools
- Broad age and disabilities categories appropriations
- Funding for area and county program administration
- Medicaid 1915(b) waiver impact on area authorities and counties
- Mental health parity
- Oversight and monitoring of mental health services
- Purchase bed days from State psychiatric hospitals by area authorities

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METHAMPHETAMINE ABUSE, LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON

Authority: SL2005-434 §7, H248.
Report by: Legislative Commission on Methamphetamine Abuse
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: First report on or before November 1, 2005.
Scope: To study issues regarding abuse of methamphetamine precursors; the cost, feasibility, and advisability of tracking sale of pseudoephedrine products; development of programs to curb use and access to methamphetamine; developing training and education programs for employees of establishments that sell pseudoephedrine products; and develop programs to educate citizens on the issues of detection and prevention of clandestine methamphetamine laboratories, and on the restrictions on the sale of pseudoephedrine products.

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MUNICIPAL INCORPORATIONS, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON

Authority: GS 120-158

Scope: To review petitions for incorporation and make findings and recommendations to the General Assembly

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Authority: GS 120-149.1

Scope: To review and assess proposed legislation on new licensing boards.

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PROPERTY TAX SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE REVENUE LAWS STUDY COMMITTEE

Authority: SL2002-184 §8, SB 1161.
Report to: Revenue Laws Study Committee
Scope: Shall study, examine, and if necessary recommend changes to the property tax system.

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Impact of acquisition of land for conservation on local tax revenues
Tax foreclosures

PUBLIC HEALTH STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: GS 120-195
Report to: General Assembly, Governor, and Lieutenant Governor
Scope: To determine whether the public health services currently available in each county or district health department conform to the mission and essential services; study the workforce needs of each county or district health department; review the status and needs of local health departments relative to facilities, and the need for the development of minimum standards governing the provision and maintenance of facilities; propose a long-range plan for funding; conduct any other studies or evaluation necessary; study the capacity of small counties to meet core public health functions mandated by current State and federal law

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PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 09-28-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives

Report due: May submit a final report on or before January 23, 2007.
Scope: Shall examine the present system of local financing for school facilities and shall study alternative options for financing local school construction, renovation, repair, and maintenance. The Select Committee may study and consider public-private partnerships for school construction and facility ownership, sale lease-back arrangements, private and commercial financing arrangements, design standards for school facilities that may facilitate alternative financing techniques, alternative local revenue sources for financing school facilities, the use of real estate investment trusts, State and local construction bond pools, and any other financing issues.

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RECOVERY OF CIVIL COSTS, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE

Authority: Letter of 11-20-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the House of Representatives, on or before December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the recovery of civil costs.

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RECOVERY OF COSTS IN CIVIL CASES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TASK FORCE ON THE

Authority: SL2006-248 §12.1, HB 1723.
Report to: Speaker of the House of Representatives
Report due: The Task Force shall report by December 31, 2006.
Scope: To review and recommend a resolution to the conflict in North Carolina law regarding the recovery of costs in a civil case. Specifically, the Task Force on the Recovery of Costs in Civil Cases shall study the conflict that exists between G.S. 6-20 and G.S. 7A-305, and the appellate cases interpreting those statutes, and recommend revisions to one or both statutes to resolve that conflict.

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REVENUE LAWS STUDY COMMITTEE

Authority: GS 120.70.105
Report to: General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the revenue laws and their administration and report on any determination of needed changes.

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Administrative and judicial review of tax cases
Administrative process for disputed tax matters
Cable video/broadband impact of State franchise
Consolidated corporate returns
Corporate income and franchise tax replaced with commercial activity tax
Gross premiums tax on property coverage
Housing authority tax exemptions
Income tax refund contribution election
Intermodal rail facility
Present-use value
Production companies tax credits
Property taxes
Real property donations tax credit
Renewable fuels tax credits
Sales and income taxes
Sales and use tax issues
Sound business management program for forestland
State business taxation
Tax deductions for section 529 plans
Tax refund contributions to charitable causes
Tax refund donation for prostate cancer

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RURAL ECONOMY, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE

Authority: Letter of 10-04-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Description: May study all aspects of the economies of rural counties.

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Authority: Letter of 10-17-2006 pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006
Scope: Shall study the causes of unsafe neighborhoods and ways to promote and ensure safe neighborhoods.

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SEAFOOD AND AQUACULTURE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON

Authority: G.S. 120-70.60

Report to: General Assembly

Scope: To monitor and study the current seafood industry, study the potential for increasing the role of aquaculture, evaluate actions of other agencies relating to seafood and aquaculture, evaluate federal law changes, make reports

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SENIOR TAR HEEL LEGISLATURE

Authority: GS 143B-181.55
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Each regular session
Scope: To provide information to senior citizens on the legislative process and matters before the General Assembly, promote citizen involvement and advocacy on aging issues, and assess the needs of older citizens by convening a forum modeled after the General Assembly.

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SENTENCING AND POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION

Authority: GS 164-35
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall report annually.
Scope: Evaluates sentencing laws and policies in relationship to both the stated purposes of the criminal justice and corrections systems and the availability of sentencing options; makes recommendations to the General Assembly for modification of laws and options as necessary to achieve policy goals.

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SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 09-28-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006
Scope: Shall study sex offender registration laws and internet crimes against children. In connection with this study, the Committee shall:

Review the list of offenses for which registration is required in North Carolina and determine whether offenses should be added or deleted from the registration requirement. Consider increasing or decreasing the amount of time a person should remain on the registry. Examine the procedures for termination of the registration requirement. Consider the ways to improve the verification of the registration requirement. Evaluate whether law enforcement should have an affirmative duty to notify residents, schools, or other interested parties that a sex offender lives in the neighborhood. Identify methods that can be used to track sex offender locations, including the use of GPS devices to monitor sex offenders, even after they have served their sentences. Study the use of registration fees. Consider prohibiting sex offenders from working in jobs that involve direct contact with children. Evaluate proposals that require sex offenders to stay a certain distance from schools and day care centers. Compare sex offender laws in North Carolina with the laws of other states. Review the criminal statutes and sentencing guidelines in North Carolina relating to the production, distribution, and possession of child pornography and determine how they can be strengthened and improved. Review the criminal statutes and sentencing guidelines in North Carolina relating to enticement of children through the use of computers or the Internet. Examine the current prosecution and sentencing of child pornography and other Internet crimes against children. Evaluate law enforcement practices, capacity, training, and workload for combating child pornography and other Internet crimes against children. Investigate ways to increase the use of asset forfeiture in child pornography distribution and production cases. Review best practices federally and in other states regarding Internet crimes against children.

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Authority: SL2006-248 §53.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall submit a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.
Scope: Shall study sex offender registration laws and internet crimes against children.

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Authority: Letter of 02-08-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report due by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the sex offender registration laws.

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Authority: Letter of 09-21-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: Senate
Report due: Shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
Description: Shall study ways to improve affordability of health insurance for employees of small businesses.

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Authority: SL2006-248 §26.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall a final report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Description: The Commission shall study the funding of the North Carolina Partnership for Children.

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STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL MODERNIZATION STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: SL2006-248 §47.1, HB 1723.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: The Commission shall report no later than May 1, 2007.

Scope: The Commission shall: (1) Examine State and local revenue sharing and taxing authority, and the division of responsibility for providing for infrastructure, public education, Medicaid and other needs. (2) Examine North Carolina's revenue- and responsibility-sharing between State and local governments compared to those in other states. (3) Review the existing State tax code and recommend ways to modernize it. (4) Examine the current authority of local government to levy taxes and fees and recommend any changes in such authority. (5) Examine local governments' ability to pay for services required by their citizens. (6) Recommend to the Governor and the General Assembly needed changes in State and local tax structure and sharing of revenues and responsibilities. (7) Study and recommend a permanent financing strategy leading to the elimination of county financial participation in Medicaid services.

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STATE DISABILITY INCOME PLAN AND OTHER RELATED PLANS, STUDY COMMISSION ON THE

Authority: SL2006-248 §17.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall submit a report not later than January 1, 2007.
Scope: The Commission shall study the plan design, funding, and administration of the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina established pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 135 of the General Statutes, the Death Benefit Plan established pursuant to G.S. 135-5(1), and the Separate Insurance Benefits Plan for State and Local Governmental Law Enforcement Officers established pursuant to G.S. 143-166.60 to determine what changes, if any, should be made to those Plans. The Commission shall consider what changes could be made to the Plans that would enhance the efficiency of and reduce the cost of the Plans to the State and its employees.

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STATE EMPLOYEES' DISABILITY PLANS, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE NC

Authority: Letter of 3-16-2005; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: June 1, 2005
Scope: Shall study the plan design, funding, and administration of the Disability Income Plan of NC, the Death Plan , and the Separate Insurance Benefits Plan for State and Local Government Law Enforcement Officers to determine what changes, if any, should be made to the Plans that would enhance the efficiency of and reduce the cost of the Plans to the

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STATE INCOME DISABILITY PLAN AND OTHER RELATED PLANS, SENATE STUDY COMMITTEE ON THE

Authority: Letter of 10-25-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: Shall submit a report not later than December 31, 2006.
Description: Shall study the plan design, funding, and administration of the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina established pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 135 of the General Statutes, the Death Benefit Plan established pursuant to G.S. 135 5(l), and the Separate Insurance Benefits Plan for State and Local Governmental Law Enforcement Officers established pursuant to G.S. 143 166.60 to determine what changes, if any, should be made to those Plans. The Committee shall consider what changes could be made to the Plans that would enhance the efficiency of and reduce the cost of the Plans to the State and its employees.

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STATE PERSONNEL, HOUSE STUDY COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 02-24-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report due by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall conduct a comprehensive review of the State Personnel Act that governs the human resource system for approximately 89,000 employees in State departments, agencies, and institutions, including the University of North Carolina system, and approximately 30,000 local government employees. The Committee may consider and recommend changes to the State Personnel Act, including recommendations to rewrite the State Personnel Act in an effort to develop a contemporary human resource system that is more effective, cost-efficient, and beneficial to employees and taxpayers.

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STATE PERSONNEL ACT, LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON THE

Authority: SL2006-221 §21A(b), SB 198.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: May provide interim reports and shall provide its final report by May 1, 2008.

Description: The Commission shall:

Review Chapter 126 of the General Statutes, the State Personnel Act, to determine whether the Act should be revised or repealed, in whole or in part. Consider the efficacy of changes in policy related to the following: classification system, compensation philosophy, salary structure, merit-based pay, pay equity, pay delivery, and performance evaluation. Evaluate career banding as an alternative to the traditional classification system, considering career progression salary adjustments as compared to current compensation increase philosophy, government/private industry best practices, and the real and perceived impact to State employees of moving to a career banding classification system. Review any other matter that the Commission finds relevant to its charge.

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STATE PERSONNEL STATUTES, LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON

Authority: SL2004-161 §5.1, SB 1152; SL2006-248 §42, HN 1723.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Interim report to 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session, and final report to 2007 General Assembly.

Scope: May study issues related to the State Personnel Act

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STATEWIDE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: SL2002-180 §15.1, SB 98.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: May make interim reports to the 2003 General Assembly, final report to the 2005 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the delivery of emergency medical services in the State: examining the State Trauma System funding; legal, administrative, logistical and other impediments to trauma care; ways of improving trauma care; State readiness to handle trauma from massive disasters; and other related matters.

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STEM CELL RESEARCH, HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON

Authority: Letter of 03-01-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and House Rule 26(a).
Report to: House of Representatives
Report due: May submit an interim report on or before May 1, 2006, final report due by December 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall study the State's role in stem cell research, including enacting laws limiting or expanding current research efforts and providing State funds to scientists doing research in this area.

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TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE

Authority: GS 120-70.50
Report to: General Assembly
Scope: To review DOT reports, monitor NC Highway Trust Fund and Highway Fund, determine needed revisions in funding, report to the General Assembly

Additional Studies Assigned/Referred:

Dedicated sources of funding for public transit
Ecological Enhancement Program merger with Clean Water Management Trust Fund

License plate issues
Moped identification tag
Nonbetterments
Online motor vehicle dealer registration enhancement
Paving and maintenance of secondary roads costs
Utility relocation

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21ST CENTURY REVENUE SYSTEM, LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON A

Authority: SL2004-161 §46.1, SB 1152; SL2006-248 §38, HB 1723.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Interim report to the 2005 General Assembly 2006 Regular Session, and final report upon the convening of the 2007 General Assembly.

Scope: To build on the recommendations of past legislative and executive branch commissions to design a realignment of the State and local revenue system in accordance with a clear consistent tax policy in light of modern economic, social, and political conditions.

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Authority: SL2004-161 §22.1, SB 1152.
Report by: UNC Board of Governors Study Commission
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: 2005 General Assembly
Scope: Shall study the method of election or appointment of members of the Board of Governors, the length of members' terms, the number of terms a member may serve, and the size of the Board. May examine the governing boards of other states' institutions of higher education.

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UNC BOARD OF GOVERNORS STUDY COMMISSION

Authority: SL2006-248 §19.1, HB 1723.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: The Commission shall report to the 2007 General Assembly.
Description: The Commission shall continue the work of prior UNC Board of Governors Study Commissions and study the method of election or appointment of members of the Board of Governors, the length of members' terms, the number of terms a member may serve, and the size of the Board of Governors. As part of the study, the Commission may examine the governing boards of other states' institutions of higher education.

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Authority: Letter of 09-15-2006; pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, and Senate Rule 31.
 Report to: Senate
 Report due: The Committee shall submit a final report on or before December 31, 2006.
 Scope: The Committee shall continue the work of prior UNC Board of Governors Study Commissions and study the method of election or appointment of members of the Board of Governors, the length of members' terms, the number of terms a member may serve, and the size of the Board of Governors. As part of the study, the Commission may examine the governing boards of other states' institutions of higher education.

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UTILITY REVIEW COMMITTEE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE

Authority: GS 120-70.1
Report to: General Assembly

Scope: To evaluate the actions of the NC Utilities Commission, analyze the operations of the utility companies operating in NC, inquire into development of alternate sources of energy and the conservation of energy, review changes in federal law and regulations, and technology, submit evaluations of performance of NC Utilities Commission, the public staff and utilities operations in the State, and make reports and recommendations to the General Assembly

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WATERFRONT ACCESS STUDY COMMITTEE

Authority: SL2006-248 §45.1, HB 1723.

Report to: Joint Legislative Commission on Seafood and Aquaculture, the Marine Fisheries Commission, and the Coastal Resources Commission

Report due: The Committee may submit an interim report no later than January 15, 2007. The Committee shall submit a final no later than April 15, 2007.

Scope: The Committee, with the assistance of the Sea Grant College Program of The University of North Carolina and the North Carolina Coastal Resources Law, Planning, and Policy Center, shall study the degree of loss and potential loss of the diversity of uses along the coastal shoreline of North Carolina and how these losses impact access to the public trust waters of the State.

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WILMINGTON RACE RIOT COMMISSION, 1898

Authority: SL2000-138 §17.1, SB 787; SL2002-180 §3.1, SB 98; and SL2004-161 §41.1, SB 1152.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: December 31, 2005
Scope: Shall develop an historical record of the 1898 Wilmington Race Riot.

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Authority: Letter of 01-01-2006, pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6, House Rule 26(a), and Senate Rule 31.
Report to: General Assembly
Report due: On or before May 31, 2006.
Scope: Shall develop an historical record of the 1898 Wilmington Race Riot. The final report may include suggestions for a permanent marker or memorial, and whether to designate the event with a historical site.

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WORKER RETRAINING, STUDY COMMISSION ON

Authority: SL2006-248 §40.1, HB 1723.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: The Commission shall submit a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening.

Scope: The Commission shall examine: (1) Business incentives that encourage employers to support efforts by employees to retrain in order to qualify for higher paying or nonexportable jobs by allowing employees time off, reimbursing employees for education expenses, or providing other support. (2) Successful retraining incentive programs in this and other states.

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WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS, STUDY COMMITTEE ON

Authority: SL2005-448 §1(a), HB 99.

Report to: General Assembly

Report due: Shall report to the 2006 Regular Session, and make a final report to the 2007 General Assembly upon its convening

Scope: Shall study disability benefits available under the Workers' Compensation Act.

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