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SENATE BILL 1236

Short Title: Study Sex Offender Treatment.

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Sponsors: Senator Martin of Guilford.

Referred to: Appropriations.

June 8, 1992

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION
MAY STUDY THE TREATMENT OF SEX OFFENDERS.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study the treatment of sex offenders and any other issues related to this topic. In conducting its study the Commission shall consider:

- (1) The types of treatment that are available and the effectiveness of those treatments.
- (2) The need for long-term treatment and to follow-up after treatment.
- (3) The use of psychological and physiological instruments (including the penile plethysmograph) for assessment and treatment, but not to determine criminal guilt or innocence.
- (4) The confidentiality and therapeutic rights of offenders.
- (5) The appropriate methods of management of sex offenders including management through a coordinated, multidisciplinary team that combines law enforcement, the judicial system, child protective services, educators, community resources, and treatment providers.

Sec. 2. The Legislative Research Commission may report its findings and recommendations to the 1993 General Assembly.

Sec. 3. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General Assembly's Legislative Services Commission the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the 1992-93 fiscal year to fund this study.

Sec. 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 1992.