

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 775

Short Title: Study Prepaid Wireless Service Charges. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Dannelly.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 24, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE UTILITY REVIEW COMMITTEE
2 TO STUDY THE ADEQUACY OF THE SERVICE CHARGE FOR PREPAID
3 WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THE SERVICE
4 CHARGE IS COLLECTED AND REMITTED TO THE 911 BOARD AND EXTENDING
5 THE SUNSET ON THE COLLECTION OF SERVICE CHARGES FOR PREPAID
6 WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE.
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8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 **SECTION 1.** The Joint Legislative Utility Review Committee may study the
10 adequacy of the service charge for prepaid wireless telephone service and the manner in which
11 the service charge is collected and remitted to the 911 Board. The Committee may propose
12 legislation, if appropriate, to change the service charge for prepaid wireless telephone service
13 and to alter the manner in which the service charge is collected and remitted.

14 **SECTION 2.** The Committee may make an interim report of its findings and
15 recommendations to the 2009 General Assembly, Regular Session 2010, and shall submit a
16 final report to the 2011 Session of the General Assembly.

17 **SECTION 3.** Section 7.(c) of S.L. 2007-383, as amended by Section 1.(d) of S.L.
18 2008-134 reads as rewritten:

19 "**SECTION 7.(c)** Notwithstanding G.S. 62A-43, the charge imposed by that section does
20 not apply to prepaid wireless telephone service ~~for the 2008 calendar year and for the first nine~~
21 ~~months of the 2009 calendar year, until September 30, 2010.~~"

22 **SECTION 4.** The Legislative Services Officer shall allocate funds appropriated to
23 the General Assembly for the expenditures of the Joint Legislative Utility Review Committee
24 in conducting this study.

25 **SECTION 5.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

