H HOUSE RESOLUTION 1233

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON COMBATING SYSTEMIC RACISM.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

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 SECTION 1. Establishment. - (a) The House Select Committee on Combating Systemic Racism is established. The Committee shall consist of 28 members of the House of Representatives, appointed as follows:

- (1) Fourteen members of the majority party appointed by the Speaker.
- (2) Fourteen members of the minority party appointed by the Speaker from a list of 18 members recommended by the Minority Leader.
- (b) The Speaker shall appoint a cochair from the majority party and a cochair from the minority party. The cochairs shall continue to serve until successors are appointed by the Speaker. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled by the Speaker. The Committee shall meet upon the call of the cochairs. The Committee may meet during the interim period between sessions or recesses of the General Assembly in accordance with G.S. 120-19.6(a). A quorum of the Committee shall be a majority of the Committee members.
- **SECTION 2.** Duties. The Committee shall study issues related to combating systemic racism in the following areas: (i) criminal justice, (ii) State government operations, (iii) economic opportunities, (iv) education, (v) health, and (vi) housing. The Committee cochairs may establish as many subcommittees necessary to carry out the duties of the Committee, including the six areas described in this section.
- **SECTION 3.** Operations. The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers authorized by G.S. 120-19 and Article 5A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The Committee may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building. Members of the Committee shall receive subsistence and travel expenses at the rates set forth in G.S. 120-3.1. The expenses of the Committee shall be paid upon the written approval of the Speaker pursuant to G.S. 120-32.02(c) and G.S. 120-35 from funds available to the House of Representatives for its operation.
- **SECTION 4.** Staff. The Legislative Services Commission, through the Legislative Services Officer, shall assign professional staff to assist the Committee in its work. The Director of Legislative Assistants of the House of Representatives shall assign clerical support to the Committee. The Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services, as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.
- **SECTION 5.** Report. The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than December 31, 2020. The Committee shall terminate upon submission of its report or December 31, 2020, whichever occurs first.
 - **SECTION 6.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.

