GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1377

Short Title: Use of School Property/Study.	(Public)
Sponsors: Representative Bowman.	_
Referred to: Rules.	-

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT CREATING A LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON MAXIMIZING THE USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Legislative Study Commission on the Use of Public School Buildings and Equipment is created. The Commission shall consist of 12 members: four Senators and two public members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and four Representatives and two public members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

- Sec. 2. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall designate one Senator as cochairman and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate one Representative as cochairman.
 - Sec. 3. The Commission shall:
 - (1) Study whether North Carolina could make better use of its buildings and equipment by (i) using the public school bus fleet for other education transportation needs such as community colleges; and (ii) using the school buildings during the summer months by extending the school year beyond the present nine-month term.
- Sec. 4. The Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before the first day of the 1991 Session of the General Assembly by filing the report with the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Upon filing its final report, the Commission shall terminate.

- Sec. 5. The Commission, while in the discharge of official duties, may exercise all the powers provided for under the provisions of G.S. 120-19, and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4. The Commission may meet at any time upon the joint call of the cochairmen. The Commission may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building.
- Sec. 6. Members of the Commission who are legislators shall receive subsistence and travel expenses at the rates set forth in G.S. 120-3.1. Other members shall receive travel and subsistence expenses in accordance with G.S. 138-5.
- Sec. 7. The Commission may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services as provided by G.S. 120-32.02. The Legislative Services Commission, through the Legislative Administrative Officer, shall assign professional staff to assist in the work of the Commission. The House of Representatives' and the Senate's Supervisors of Clerks shall assign clerical staff to the commission or committee, upon the direction of the Legislative Services Commission. The expenses relating to clerical employees shall be borne by the Commission.
- Sec. 8. When a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Commission the vacancy shall be filled by the same appointing officer who made the initial appointment.
- Sec. 9. All State departments and agencies and local governments and their subdivisions shall furnish the Commission with any information in their possession or available to them.
- Sec. 10. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General Assembly for fiscal year 1989-90 the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) and for fiscal year 1990-91 the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the expenses of the Commission.
 - Sec. 11. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.