

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1459\***

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Sponsors: Representatives Michaux and Easterling.

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Referred to: Rules.

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April 28, 1989

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
2 COMMISSION TO STUDY THE OPERATION OF THE OFFICE OF  
3 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES  
4 REVIEW COMMISSION.

5 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

6 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study:

- 7 (1) Whether the effectiveness and the efficiency of the Office of  
8 Administrative Hearings could be improved by staffing modifications;
- 9 (2) What functions, if any, of the Office of Administrative Hearings or of  
10 the Administrative Rules Review Commission could be transferred to  
11 the Office of the Secretary of State or to some other appropriate office  
12 or agency;
- 13 (3) The appropriateness of the existing personnel classifications and pay  
14 grades within the Office of Administrative Hearings and the  
15 Administrative Rules Review Commission, and what modifications, if  
16 any, should be made;
- 17 (4) The equity and appropriateness of the longevity program established  
18 for the Chief Administrative Law Judge and the Administrative Law  
19 Judges;
- 20 (5) Appropriate oversight of the Office of Administrative Hearings and of  
21 the Administrative Rules Review Commission;
- 22 (6) The process for appointment of the Chief Administrative Law Judge;

- 1           (7) Whether the purposes for which the Office of Administrative Hearings  
2           and the Administrative Rules Review Commission are being  
3           effectively served, and whether these purposes are still appropriate;  
4           (8) The appropriateness of compensation, expense reimbursements, and  
5           per diem for members of the Administrative Rules Review  
6           Commission; and  
7           (9) Various policies, procedures and practices of the Office of  
8           Administrative Hearings and of the Administrative Rules Review  
9           Commission to determine the extent to which State resources are used  
10          efficiently and effectively.

11           Sec. 2. If the study authorized by Section 1 of this resolution is conducted,  
12 the Legislative Research Commission shall make a final report to the 1991 Session of  
13 the General Assembly, and may make an interim report to the 1989 Session, Regular  
14 Session, 1990.

15           Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.