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A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CREATION OF A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FOR REGIONAL RESPONSE TEAMS FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCIES IN NORTH CAROLINA AND TO STUDY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT.

Whereas, the transportation of hazardous materials and the cleanup of hazardous material spills are of major concern to the citizens of North Carolina; and

Whereas, many areas of the State, in particular the rural counties, lack sufficient trained personnel and equipment to respond adequately to hazardous material spills; and

Whereas, the concept of regional response to hazardous material emergencies in the State has been proposed as a means to provide adequate, uniform basic response capability across the State;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study the issue of the management of hazardous materials emergencies in North Carolina and the establishment of regional response teams to respond to such hazardous materials emergencies. The Commission may study the issue of the number and selection of hazardous material regional response teams (hazmat teams), training and equipment needs for hazmat teams, start-up and operational costs of a regional hazmat team program, and the funding of the program through fees or other means. The Commission may also study ways to improve hazardous materials control and management.

- Sec. 2. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report to the 1992 Session of the 1991 General Assembly and shall make a final report of its findings and recommendations to the 1993 General Assembly.
- 4 Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.