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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 789*

Sponsors: Senators Plexico; Ballance, Basnight, Blackmon, Block, Cooper, Daniel, Hartsell, Hunt, Hyde, Lee, Martin of Guilford, Perdue, Richardson, Sands, Seymour, Shaw, Sherron, Simpson, Tally, Ward, and Warren.

Referred to: Appropriations.

April 24, 1991

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
2 COMMISSION TO STUDY WAYS TO PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION OF
3 ENERGY AND THE USE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES IN
4 RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, AND PUBLIC FACILITIES IN
5 NORTH CAROLINA.

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

7 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission is authorized to study ways
8 to promote the conservation of energy and the use of renewable energy sources in
9 residential, commercial, industrial, and public facilities in North Carolina.

10 The topics to be considered by the Legislative Research Commission shall
11 include but not be limited to, the following:

12 (1) The roles of various State agencies, authorities, and organizations, to
13 specifically include:

- 14 a. The Energy Division, Department of Economic and Community
15 Development;
- 16 b. The North Carolina Solar Center;
- 17 c. The Energy Development Authority;
- 18 d. The Department of Transportation;
- 19 e. The University of North Carolina;
- 20 f. The Department of Public Instruction;

- 1 g. The State Construction Office, Department of Administration;
2 and
3 h. The Building Code Council, Department of Insurance
4 in promoting energy conservation and the use of renewable energy and
5 the specific program and the funding needs of each such agency,
6 authority, or organization that uses State funds.
7 (2) The energy standards for residential buildings.
8 (3) Strategies for reducing the amount of energy consumed in State
9 buildings and public schools.
10 (4) The desirability of establishing a Solar and Conservation Bank for
11 residential and commercial facilities and the desirability of funding
12 such bank from oil overcharge funds.
13 (5) Specific conservation and efficiency measures, including, but not
14 limited to, high performance windows, solar water heaters, high
15 efficiency motors, flow-control shower heads, and efficient
16 daylighting.
17 (6) The common law relating to solar access.
18 (7) Any other matter that the Commission determines is pertinent to this
19 study.
20 Sec. 2. The Commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the
21 1993 General Assembly and may make an interim report to the 1992 Session of the
22 1991 General Assembly.
23 Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.