GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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Short Title: Charlotte Area Trans. Authy. Study.	(Public)
Sponsors: Representatives McLaughlin; Black and Easterling.	
Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.	

May 17, 1993

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE A COMMISSION TO STUDY THE FORMATION OF A REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY FOR THE GREATER CHARLOTTE METROPOLITAN REGION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Regional Public Transportation Authority for the Greater Charlotte Metropolitan Region Study Commission is created. The Commission shall consist of eight members: four Senators appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and four Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The legislative members shall represent Mecklenburg, Union, Gaston, Cabarrus, Cleveland, Iredell, Lincoln, Rowan, or Stanly Counties.

- 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 work with units of local government, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, the Carolinas Transportation Compact of the Urban Institute at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and other interested parties, including representatives of the State of South Carolina, to consider the creation of a Regional Public Transportation Authority for the Greater Charlotte Metropolitan Region.
- Sec. 4. The Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations and any necessary legislation to the General Assembly on or before the first day of the 1995 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 and at any location 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 shall receive subsistence and travel expenses at the rates set forth in G.S. 120-3.1.
- 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, 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 the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1993-94 fiscal year and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year for the expenses of the Commission.
 - Sec. 11. This act becomes effective July 1, 1993.