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Short Title: Regulate Homeless Shelters.

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Sponsors: Senator Gulley.

Referred to: Appropriations.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSION FOR HEALTH SERVICES TO ADOPT
3 RULES GOVERNING THE SANITATION OF SHELTERS FOR HOMELESS
4 PERSONS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. Part 4 of Article 8 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes is
7 amended by adding the following new section to read:

8 "**§ 130A-235.1. Regulation of sanitation in shelters for homeless persons.**

9 (a) For the protection of the public health, the Commission shall adopt rules to
10 establish sanitation requirements for shelters for homeless persons. The Commission
11 shall adopt requirements that are the least restrictive so as to protect the public health
12 and not unreasonably interfere with the development or operation of the shelters.

13 (b) As used in this section, 'shelter' or 'shelter for homeless persons' means a
14 supervised publicly or privately operated facility designed to provide temporary
15 sleeping accommodations. As used in this section a shelter for homeless persons does
16 not include emergency shelters set up in response to and immediately following natural
17 disasters.

18 (c) Rules adopted by the Commission pursuant to this section shall address, but
19 not be limited to, the cleanliness of floors, walls, ceilings, storage spaces and other
20 areas, adequacy of lighting, ventilation, water supply, toilet and lavatory facilities,
21 sewage collection, treatment and disposal facilities, and solid waste disposal.

22 (d) This section shall not apply to shelters that provide services to six or fewer
23 adults."

1 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1993.