GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1331*

| Short Title: Welfare Study Commission Continued. | (Public) |
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| Sponsors: Senator Martin of Guilford. | |
| Referred to: Rules and Operation of the Senate. | |

May 27, 1996

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT RECOMMENDED BY THE STUDY COMMISSION ON WELFARE REFORM TO CONTINUE THE STUDY OF WELFARE REFORM AND REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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- Section 1. (a) Section 47 of Chapter 24 of the 1993 Session Laws, Extra Session 1994, as continued and amended by Section 23.8B of Chapter 507 of the 1995 Session Laws, and as amended by Part XXIII, Section 23.1 of Chapter 542 of the 1995 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:
- "(a) There is created the Legislative Study Commission on Welfare Reform. The Commission shall consist of 12 members as follows:
 - (1) Six members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and
 - (2) Six Senators appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.
- (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate one representative as cochair and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall designate one Senator as cochair.
- (c) The Commission shall study the whole issue of the need for welfare reform in light of the current social crisis caused, in part, by the rapidly increasing incidence of violent crimes. This study shall include:

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| 1 | (1) | A reexamination of the whole purpose of the welfare system and an |
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| 2 | , , | identification of those disincentives to raising responsible, independent |
| 3 | | participants in society that are built into the system; |
| 4 | (2) | An analysis of the federal welfare reform proposals and of other states' |
| 5 | | initiatives; and |
| 6 | (3) | A compilation and detailed examination, including detailed fiscal |
| 7 | | analysis, of proposals to reform the welfare system. |