

Whereas, the law of North Carolina is unclear on the subject addressed by the First Edition of Senate Bill 759 of the 1995 General Assembly and there is uncertainty as to whether the legislative intent of existing statutes is being carried out; Now, therefore,

1 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

2 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission shall study the unfair
3 business practice of pricing cigarettes below cost and shall consider the desirability and
4 feasibility of prohibiting or limiting this practice.

5 Sec. 2. The Commission may submit an interim report to the 1996 Regular
6 Session of the 1995 General Assembly. The Commission shall submit a final report of its
7 recommendations and legislative proposals to the 1997 General Assembly.

8 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.