

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1363**

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Sponsors: Representative Justus.

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Referred to: Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House.

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1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
2 COMMISSION TO STUDY THE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND  
3 INCIDENCE OF GROUP B STREPTOCOCCUS AND ITS EFFECTS ON  
4 PREGNANT WOMEN AND INFANTS.

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

6 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study the incidence and  
7 effects of Group B Streptococcus (Group B Strep) in North Carolina. The study may  
8 include, but is not limited to, the following:

- 9 (1) Whether Group B Strep poses a significant public health risk for North  
10 Carolina citizens, and in particular for pregnant women and infants.  
11 (2) What efforts are being made by public and private organizations to  
12 educate the population about the effects of Group B Strep and how it  
13 can be diagnosed and treated.  
14 (3) Whether screening for Group B Strep should be a routine part of  
15 prenatal care provided at clinics or local health departments.

16 Section 2. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report  
17 to the 1999 General Assembly, 2000 Regular Session, and shall make a final report to the  
18 2001 General Assembly.

19 Section 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.