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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 944*

Sponsors: Senators Martin of Guilford; Albertson, Ballance, Clodfelter, Cooper, Dannelly, Gulley, Hoyle, Kerr, Perdue, Purcell, Rand, Warren, and Wellons.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

April 14, 1999

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
2 COMMISSION TO STUDY HUNGER AND NUTRITION IN NORTH
3 CAROLINA.

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

5 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study the status of
6 hunger and nutrition in North Carolina. The study may include, but is not limited to, the
7 following:

- 8 (1) The extent and nature of hunger in North Carolina and its existence in
9 various geographic regions of the State;
- 10 (2) The number of people eligible to receive food or funds for food from
11 various programs supported by State, local, or federal funds, and private
12 sources;
- 13 (3) Access to and use of such programs as: School Breakfast; National
14 School Lunch Programs; Food Stamps; Special Supplemental Nutrition
15 Program for Women, Infants, and Children; Summer Food; Child and
16 Adult Care Feeding; Emergency Food Assistance; Food Banks
17 Supplemental Programs; and food recovery programs;
- 18 (4) The extent to which coordination of resources exists and successfully
19 maximizes use and effectiveness of programs listed in subdivision (3) of
20 this section and other hunger programs;

- 1 (5) Impact of Work First and TANF work requirements and time limitations
2 on assistance and their relationship to the number of persons obtaining
3 Work First and TANF benefits, on the utilization of all food programs,
4 especially Food Stamps, Summer Food, and food pantries and soup
5 kitchens;
6 (6) Impact of recent federal food stamp program reforms on particular food
7 stamp recipient groups or categories;
8 (7) Extent and impact of public school involvement with and support for
9 school-based and summer food programs;
10 (8) Barriers to access by persons eligible for food program benefits;
11 (9) The extent and effectiveness of outreach efforts to address hunger and
12 ways to make existing programs more effective.
13 Section 2. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report
14 to the 1999 General Assembly, 2000 Regular Session, and shall make a final report to the
15 2001 General Assembly.
16 Section 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.