

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS75426-LU-139A* (5/9)

Short Title: Repeal Comm. Coll. Massage Prog. Exempt/Study. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Lucas.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT REPEALING THE LAW THAT EXEMPTS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY PROGRAMS FROM LICENSURE
BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK
THERAPY AND AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
COMMISSION TO STUDY AND EXAMINE ANY CONFLICTS THAT EXIST
BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY
COLLEGE SYSTEM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 8.15 of S.L. 2005-276 is repealed.

SECTION 2. The Legislative Research Commission is authorized to study the relationship between the North Carolina Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy and the North Carolina Community College System and to make recommendations that may resolve any conflicts that exist between the Board and the Community College System.

SECTION 3. In conducting the study, the Commission may consider the following:

- (1) The nature of any conflicts or complaints that exist between the North Carolina Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy and the North Carolina Community College System and the reasons why the conflicts or complaints exist.
- (2) The criteria the Board uses to approve massage and bodywork therapy programs, specifically those programs within the community college system.
- (3) The manner in which the Board executes its duties with respect to approving massage and bodywork therapy programs.
- (4) Any other information the Commission deems relevant.

1 **SECTION 4.** The Legislative Research Commission shall make a final
2 report of its findings and recommendations to the 2007 General Assembly.

3 **SECTION 5.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General
4 Assembly the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to
5 be allocated to the Legislative Research Commission for the purpose of conducting the
6 study provided for in this act.

7 **SECTION 6.** This act is effective when it becomes law.