

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL 1605**

Short Title: Institute of Medicine/Study Sexual Abuse. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Bordsen, Glazier, Insko, Farmer-Butterfield (Primary Sponsors);  
Harrison and Hughes.

Referred to: Health, if favorable, Appropriations.

May 7, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT DIRECTING THE INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE TO STUDY ISSUES RELATED  
3 TO SEXUAL ABUSE AND VIOLENCE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE  
4 STUDY.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The North Carolina Institute of Medicine (NCIOM) shall conduct a  
7 study on issues related to sexual abuse and violence. In conducting the study the NCIOM shall  
8 do all of the following:

- 9 (1) Examine etiology, treatment, and prevention of sexually abusive and violent  
10 behavior that impacts children and adults.
- 11 (2) Assess the most effective and cost-effective policies to prevent reoffending.
- 12 (3) Consider the impact of registration and notification on victims, relatives, and  
13 the public.
- 14 (4) Determine risk assessment.
- 15 (5) Evaluate effective treatment rehabilitation methodologies.
- 16 (6) Review the differences between youth and adult offenders.
- 17 (7) Any other issue that the Committee deems relevant to the study.

18 **SECTION 2.** The NCIOM shall report its findings and recommendations to the  
19 Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and  
20 Substance Abuse Services on or before the convening of the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009  
21 General Assembly.

22 **SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to North Carolina  
23 Institute of Medicine the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the  
24 2009-2010 fiscal year to fund the study established by this act.

25 **SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

