

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 950  
HOUSE BILL 1230

AN ACT AUTHORIZING A STUDY OF THE STATE'S HOUSING PROGRAMS.

Whereas, the State has a number of persons who live in substandard housing; and

Whereas, the State has many programs aimed at reducing the number of persons who live in substandard housing and improving the housing of its citizens; and

Whereas, the federal housing programs in which the State participates are undergoing significant change; and

Whereas, the State is committed to improving the housing of its citizens; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** There is created the Commission to Study the Housing Programs in North Carolina. The study includes but is not limited to housing programs administered by the Departments of Administration, Commerce, Insurance, and Natural Resources and Community Development and by the Housing Finance Agency in the Office of State Budget and Management.

**Sec. 2.** The Commission shall consist of 18 members, as follows: The Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development shall serve ex officio, and the State Treasurer shall serve ex officio. The President of the Senate shall appoint five members, including two members of the Senate, one representative of the savings and loan business, one representative of the home building business, and one member with no housing industry ties. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint five members, including two members of the House of Representatives, one representative of the mortgage-servicing business, a licensed real estate broker, and one member with no housing industry ties. The Governor shall appoint six members, including a community planner, a representative of the subsidized housing management business, a specialist in public housing policy, a representative of the manufactured housing industry, and two members with no housing industry ties. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority who appointed the person causing the vacancy.

**Sec. 3.** The Commission shall meet initially at the call of the Secretary of Natural Resources and Community Development and shall elect from its membership a chairman and vice-chairman.

**Sec. 4.** The study shall include but is not limited to the following areas: the State's past, present and future housing policies; the effect of the State's housing programs on North Carolina's economy including the home-building industry, the supply of housing mortgage funds, and the cost of capital in the private sector; and the effectiveness of the State's housing programs in meeting the housing needs of its citizens including reducing the number of substandard housing units, increasing the number of standard units, and reducing the lifetime costs of housing and improving the safety of housing.

**Sec. 5.** The Commission shall submit a written report to the Governor and the 1983 General Assembly before February 1, 1983.

**Sec. 6.** Necessary professional and clerical assistance shall be provided by the Management Section in the Office of State Budget and Management. The Commission may hold its meetings in legislative buildings with prior approval from the Legislative Services Commission.

**Sec. 7.** Members of the Commission who are also members of the General Assembly shall be paid subsistence and travel expenses at the rate set forth in G.S. 120-3.1. Members of the Commission who are officials or employees of the State shall receive travel allowances at the rate set forth in G.S. 138-6. All other members of the Commission shall be paid the per diem and allowances at the rates set forth in G.S. 138-5.

**Sec. 8.** Actual expenses of the Commission, other than staff support from the Office of State Budget and Management, may be requested from the Contingency and Emergency Fund.

**Sec. 9.** This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 10th day of July, 1981.