

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1983 SESSION

CHAPTER 921
HOUSE BILL 1379

AN ACT CREATING THE CRIMINAL CODE REVISION STUDY COMMITTEE.

Whereas, the Criminal Code Commission has worked on a revision of the substantive criminal laws since the mid-1970's; and

Whereas, that Commission has completed its work and has proposed a new criminal code; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section. 1. The Criminal Code Revision Study Committee is established. The Committee shall consist of four senators, one who shall not be a member of the legal profession, one law school professor and one district attorney appointed by the President of the Senate and four representatives, one who shall not be a member of the legal profession, one law school professor and one criminal defense attorney appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Appointments shall be made by September 1, 1983. Original members shall serve until the Committee makes its final report. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments were made.

Sec. 2. The President shall designate one senator as a cochairman and the Speaker shall designate one representative as a cochairman. The initial meeting of the Committee shall be called by the cochairmen.

Sec. 3. The Committee shall study the substantive criminal law and make findings and recommendations thereon. The Committee may make an interim report to the 1984 Session of the General Assembly. On or before the first day of the 1985 Session of the General Assembly, the Committee shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by filing the report with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Upon filing its final report, the Committee shall terminate.

Sec. 4. Upon the approval of the Legislative Services Commission, the Legislative Services Officer shall assign professional staff to assist in the work of the Committee. Clerical staff shall be furnished to the Committee through the offices of House and Senate Supervisors of Clerks. The expenses of employment of the clerical staff shall be borne by the Committee. The Committee may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building.

Sec. 5. Members of the Committee shall be paid subsistence and travel allowances as follows:

- (1) Committee members who are also General Assembly members at the rate established in G.S. 120-3.1;
- (2) Committee members who are also officials or employees of the State at the rate established in G.S. 138-6;
- (3) All other Committee members at the rate established in G.S. 138-5.

Sec. 6. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Services Commission for fiscal year 1983-84 the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to fund the Committee. Unexpended funds at the end of the 1983-84 fiscal year do not revert but shall remain in the budget to fund the Committee until it terminates. Upon its termination, any unexpended funds shall revert to the General Fund.

Sec. 7. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 22nd day of July, 1983.