

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**SESSION 1991**

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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 906\***

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Sponsors: Senator Block.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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May 13, 1991

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
2 COMMISSION TO CONTINUE TO STUDY RAILROADS IN NORTH  
3 CAROLINA.

4       Whereas, the Legislative Research Commission was authorized by the 1989  
5 General Assembly to conduct a study of the lease and renegotiation of contracts of the  
6 North Carolina Railroad Company; and

7       Whereas, the Commission later expanded the scope of the study to include  
8 the future of railroads in North Carolina, including the issues of rail revitalization, rail  
9 corridor preservation, and other related issues; and

10       Whereas, the Committee on Railroads recommended that the General  
11 Assembly enact a bill creating a Railroad Advisory Commission to advise the Governor,  
12 Council of State, and General Assembly of its opinion of any proposed lease or other  
13 transaction involving all or a substantial portion of the assets of the North Carolina  
14 Railroad Company; and

15       Whereas, the Committee on Railroads was not able to fully explore the other  
16 issues that were brought to its attention in the course of its discussions, and therefore  
17 requested in its report to the General Assembly that the study be continued for another  
18 two years;

19 Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

20       Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission is authorized to study the  
21 present condition of the rail transportation system in North Carolina and the future of  
22 railroads in this State, including the issues of rail revitalization and rail corridor  
23 preservation.

1                   Sec. 2. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report,  
2 including any recommendations, to the 1991 General Assembly, Regular Session 1992,  
3 and a final report to the 1993 General Assembly.

4                   Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.