SENATE BILL 285

Short Title: GPAC/Butner Public Safety Study.   (Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Martin of Guilford.

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Referred to: Government Performance Audit.

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1   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT A RECOMMENDATION OF THE GOVERNMENT
3   PERFORMANCE AUDIT COMMITTEE TO DIRECT THE GOVERNOR TO
4   STUDY BUTNER PUBLIC SAFETY.
5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
6   Section 1. The Governor shall examine public safety services in Butner. The
7 study shall provide a detailed evaluation of the following options:
8   (1)   G.S. 153A-301 should be amended to allow counties to create Public
9   Safety Districts, and the creation of such a district in Durham and
10   Granville Counties to serve Butner, which district could levy local
11   property taxes in unincorporated areas for public safety services;
12   (2)   Incorporation of Butner; or
13   (3)   No change.
14   Sec. 2. The results of the study shall be reported to the General Assembly no
15 later than convening of the 1994 Regular Session of the 1993 General Session. The
16 study should address:
17   (1)   Unique needs of the State institutions;
18   (2)   Needs of local residents;
19   (3)   Services that would be provided by an incorporated Town of Butner,
20   such as fire, police protection, water, and sewer;
21   (4)   Services that would be provided by a stand-alone public safety district;
22   (5)   The impact on other local governments of incorporating Butner or
23   establishing a public safety district;
24   (6)   The current cost to local residents;

1   (7)   The tax base; and
2   (8)   Other relevant factors.
3   Sec. 3. The Governor should provide participation in the study to Granville
4 and Durham Counties, to local residents, and to federal and State institutions at Butner.
5   Sec. 4. This act is effective upon ratification.