

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SECOND EXTRA SESSION 1996**

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HOUSE BILL 27

Short Title: Gaming Study Commission.

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Sponsors: Representative H. Hunter.

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Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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July 9, 1996

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE NORTH CAROLINA GAMING STUDY COMMISSION.

2 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

3 Section 1. The North Carolina Gaming Study Commission is created. The  
4 Commission shall consist of 10 members as follows:

5 (1) Five members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, at  
6 least one of whom is not a member of the General Assembly; and

7 (2) Five members appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
8 Representatives, at least one of whom is not a member of the General  
9 Assembly.

10 Sec. 2. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall designate one appointee  
11 as cochairman and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate one  
12 appointee as cochairman.

13 Sec. 3. The Commission shall study gaming in North Carolina.

14 Sec. 4. The Commission may submit an interim report of its findings and  
15 recommendations to the General Assembly on or before the reconvening of the 1995  
16 Regular Session of the General Assembly in 1996 by filing the report with the President  
17 Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The  
18 Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the  
19 General Assembly on or before the first day of the 1997 Session of the General Assembly  
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1 by filing the report with the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the  
2 House of Representatives. Upon filing its final report, the Commission shall terminate.

3       Sec. 5. The Commission, while in the discharge of official duties, may  
4 exercise all the powers provided for under the provisions of G.S. 120-19, and G.S. 120-  
5 19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4. The Commission may meet at any time upon the joint call  
6 of the cochairmen. The Commission may meet in the Legislative Building or the  
7 Legislative Office Building.

8       Sec. 6. Members of the Commission shall receive per diem, subsistence, and  
9 travel expenses at the rates set forth by law.

10       Sec. 7. The Commission may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant  
11 services as provided by G.S. 120-32.02. The Legislative Services Commission, through  
12 the Legislative Administrative Officer, shall assign professional staff to assist in the work  
13 of the Commission. The House of Representatives' and the Senate's Supervisor of Clerks  
14 shall assign clerical staff to the Commission or committee, upon the direction of the  
15 Legislative Services Commission. The expenses relating to clerical employees shall be  
16 borne by the Commission.

17       Sec. 8. When a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Commission the  
18 vacancy shall be filled by the same appointing officer who made the initial appointment.

19       Sec. 9. All State departments and agencies and local governments and their  
20 subdivisions shall furnish the Commission with any information in their possession or  
21 available to them.

22       Sec. 10. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General Assembly  
23 the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the  
24 sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year for the  
25 expenses of the Commission.

26       Sec. 11. This act becomes effective July 1, 1995.