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SENATE BILL 914

Short Title: LRC Study of Juvenile Crime.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Rand; and Cooper.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO
STUDY THE IMPACT OF ADULT CRIME AND POVERTY ON JUVENILES
WHO ARE DELINQUENT, UNDISCIPLINED, OR AT RISK OF BECOMING
DELINQUENT OR UNDISCIPLINED.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study the potential causes of juvenile crime and proposed ways to prevent juveniles from becoming delinquent or undisciplined. If the Commission undertakes the study, the purpose of the study shall be (i) to determine what factors in a juvenile's home and community environment may contribute to or cause the juvenile to be at risk of becoming delinquent or undisciplined, including the involvement of the juvenile's parent or guardian in crimes involving controlled substances and firearms, the juvenile's access to controlled substances or firearms in the home or community, and the socio-economic status of the juvenile's family and (ii) to recommend effective and efficient ways to provide juveniles who are at risk of becoming delinquent or undisciplined, and their families, with prevention and early intervention services and programs.

Section 2. If the Legislative Research Commission undertakes the study, it may make an interim report, including any legislative proposals, to the 2000 Regular Session of the 1999 General Assembly and a final report to the 2001 General Assembly.

1 Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.