

April 5, 2001

S 985. LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION COMMISSION. *TO ESTABLISH THE LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION COMMISSION TO PERIODICALLY REVIEW THE COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.* Adds new Art. 29 ("Legislative Compensation Commission") to GS Ch. 120. Establishes cited commission, composed of 15 members, 5 each appointed by the Governor, Speaker, and President Pro Tempore, none of whom may be members of the General Assembly, appointed for four-year terms beginning July 1, 2001. The comm'n is to review the compensation paid to members of the General Assembly in light of the actual time required of members, compensation of other legislatures with similar time responsibilities, and the need to allow North Carolinians of all walks of life to serve. The comm'n is to report in 2002 within 30 days of the start of that session, and then by Feb. 1, 2005, and every four years thereafter. Establishes special procedures for bill embodying the recommendations of the comm'n. Specifies that such a bill is to be referred to specified committees in each chamber, that the bill comes back from such committee to the calendar automatically if the committee has not acted on the bill. The bill is then not subject to motions to postpone and remains the unfinished business of the chamber until disposed of. Debate is limited to one hour; amendments are not in order; a motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill passes or fails is not in order. Procedure is the same in the second chamber when the bill has passed the first chamber.

Intro. by Gulley.

Ref. to Rules	GS 120
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