

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003**

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HOUSE BILL 1249

Short Title: LRC Study NC Ports/Funds for Study. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative McComas.

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

April 24, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO
3 STUDY VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE PORTS
4 AUTHORITY FACILITIES AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE
5 STUDY.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** The Legislative Research Commission may study the
8 following aspects of the operations of the North Carolina State Ports Authority
9 facilities:

- 10 (1) The reestablishment of competitive intermodal rail services at the
11 North Carolina State Ports Authority facilities.
12 (2) Support efforts to recruit wholesale and retail distribution centers
13 utilizing the North Carolina ports.
14 (3) The reinstatement of passenger cruise service in Morehead City and
15 Wilmington.

16 **SECTION 2.** If this study is undertaken, the Legislative Research
17 Commission shall file a final report on this study to the 2005 General Assembly.

18 **SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General
19 Assembly the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the 2003-2004 fiscal year to
20 implement this act.

21 **SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2003.