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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1197*

Sponsors: Senators Kinnaird; Hartsell, Hunt, Lucas, Rand, Reeves, Thomas, and Weinstein.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

May 20, 2004

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
2 COMMISSION TO STUDY THE TRAFFICKING OF PERSONS AS
3 RECOMMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON
4 CHILDREN AND YOUTH.

5 Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Legislative Research Commission may study the topic of
7 trafficking of persons. In its study the Commission may do all of the following:

- 8 (1) Measure and evaluate the extent of trafficking of persons in North
9 Carolina.
- 10 (2) Measure and evaluate the progress of the State in trafficking
11 prevention activities.
- 12 (3) Identify available federal, State, and local programs that provide
13 services to victims of trafficking that include health care, human
14 services, housing, education, legal assistance, job training or
15 preparation, interpreting services, English as a second language
16 classes, and victim's compensation.
- 17 (4) Make recommendations on methods to provide a coordinated system
18 of support and assistance to persons who are victims of trafficking.
- 19 (5) Consider any other issue relevant to this topic.

20 **SECTION 2.** The Commission shall submit an interim report of its findings
21 and recommendations to the 2005 General Assembly prior to its reconvening in 2006,
22 and shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the General
23 Assembly on or before the first day of the 2006 Regular Session of the 2005 General
24 Assembly by filing the report with the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the
25 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

26 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.