

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 589

Short Title: Plan to Eliminate Mandatory Min. Sentences. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Shaw.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

March 16, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA SENTENCING AND POLICY
2 ADVISORY COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND EVALUATE THE CURRENT
3 STRUCTURED SENTENCING SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELIMINATING
4 MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** The North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission
8 shall review and evaluate the current sentencing structure in North Carolina as set out in
9 Chapter 15A and Chapter 90 of the General Statutes for the purpose of eliminating the
10 requirement that a mandatory minimum sentence be imposed for any crime. The Sentencing
11 Commission shall develop a plan to revise the sentencing structure to eliminate mandatory
12 minimum sentences and shall provide that plan and report its recommendations on how to
13 implement the revised structure to the 2009 General Assembly, 2010 Regular Session.

14 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

