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**HOUSE BILL 410
Committee Substitute Favorable 4/3/19
Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 5/6/19**

Short Title: Require Generators/Nursing & Adult Care Homes.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 21, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO STUDY REQUIRING NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, AND
ADULT CARE HOMES TO HAVE EMERGENCY ELECTRICAL SERVICE
AVAILABLE FOR USE DURING POWER OUTAGES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Study Emergency Electrical Service. – There is created the House Select Committee on Emergency Electrical Service for Nursing & Adult Care Homes. The Committee shall study the feasibility of requiring all nursing homes, combination homes, and adult care homes, to provide emergency electrical service for use in the event of failure of the normal electrical service. The Committee shall study:

- (1) How to provide generator back-up electricity for nursing homes, combination homes, and adult care homes.
- (2) The relevant laws of other states which pertain to generator back-up electricity for nursing homes, combination homes, and adult care homes, and how those laws are applied.
- (3) Any other matters the Committee deems relevant to their efforts.

The Committee shall consist of nine members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker shall designate the Chair. The Committee shall meet upon the call of the Chair. A majority shall constitute a quorum of the Committee and no official action may be taken except by a majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present. While in the discharge of its official duties, the Committee shall have the powers under G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4.

Members of the Committee shall receive subsistence and travel expenses as provided in G.S. 120-3.1. The Committee may contract for consultants or hire employees in accordance with G.S. 120-32.02. The Legislative Services Commission, through the Legislative Services Officer, shall assign professional staff to assist the Committee in its work. Upon the direction of the Legislative Services Commission, the Supervisor of Clerks of the House of Representatives shall assign clerical staff to the Committee.

The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services no later than March 1, 2020. The Committee shall terminate upon submission of its report or March 1, 2020, whichever occurs first.

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

