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HOUSE BILL DRH30237-BR-1

Short Title: Study Outside Water Rates.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Szoka.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY RATES  
3 CHARGED BY MUNICIPALITIES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICE TO  
4 CUSTOMERS SERVED INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE MUNICIPALITIES'  
5 BOUNDARIES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.(a)** The Legislative Research Commission shall study fee and charge  
8 setting by municipalities in the operation of a water or sewer system. The Commission shall focus  
9 on the disparity in fees between customers of the municipal system inside the boundaries of the  
10 municipality and customers of the municipal system outside of those boundaries.

11 **SECTION 1.(b)** The Legislative Research Commission shall complete the study  
12 required by subsection (a) of this section and report its findings and recommendations, including  
13 any legislative proposals, to the General Assembly by May 1, 2020.

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



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