Short Title:	Study Medicaid Provider Hearings.	(Public)

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Referred to:	Health and Human Services.

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1   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM EVALUATION
3   OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO DIRECT THE PROGRAM EVALUATION DIVISION
4   TO STUDY THE CONTESTED CASE PROCESS CONTAINED IN ARTICLE 3 OF
5   CHAPTER 150B OF THE GENERAL STATUTES IN CONNECTION WITH
6   PROVIDER APPEALS UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.
7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
8   **SECTION 1.** The Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee shall
9 include in the 2013-2014 Work Plan for the Program Evaluation Division of the General
10 Assembly a study of the contested case process for administrative review of agency
11 determinations which have an adverse effect on Medicaid providers. The Program Evaluation
12 Division shall include the following within this study:
13   (1)   A review of the procedures set forth in Article 3 of Chapter 150B of the
14   General Statutes to determine whether the procedures should be modified to
15   streamline the process and reduce any case backlogs.
16   (2)   Consideration of alternative methods of review other than the contested case
17   process set forth in Article 3 of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes.
18   (3)   A review of G.S. 108C-12 to determine whether amendments to the law
19   would improve the cost-effectiveness and efficiency of the Medicaid appeal
20   process.
21   **SECTION 2.** The Program Evaluation Division shall submit its findings and
22 recommendations from Section 1 of this act to the Joint Legislative Program Evaluation
23 Oversight Committee and the Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee
24 at a date to be determined by the Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee.
25   **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.