

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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CHAPTER 916
SENATE BILL 373

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY
THE MANAGEMENT OF WASTE DISPOSAL, HAZARDOUS AND TOXIC
SUBSTANCES, AIR QUALITY, NOISE, AND PESTICIDES.

Whereas, responsibility for the management of North Carolina's waste management, hazardous waste and toxic substances, air quality, noise, and pesticides is currently divided among the Departments of Human Resources, Natural Resources and Community Development, Labor, and Agriculture; and

Whereas, an integrated approach to the management of these areas involving several State agencies is essential; and

Whereas, the present organization of these programs is fragmented among interrelated program areas; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission is authorized to study the management of waste disposal, hazardous and toxic substances, air quality, noise, and pesticides.

Sec. 2. The commission may study in the following order the present organization for planning and management of waste disposal, (priority I); hazardous and toxic substances (priority II); air quality (priority III); noise (priority IV); pesticides (priority V); in North Carolina and make recommendations to the General Assembly concerning organizational and statutory changes it finds necessary. The commission may include in its study the impact of the Hazardous Substances Act (1979 Senate Bill 231), and the Toxic Substances Act (1979 House Bill 56).

Sec. 3. The commission may file an interim report with the 1979 General Assembly (Second Session, 1980). The commission may file its final report with the 1981 General Assembly. The final report of the commission shall summarize the information obtained in the course of its inquiry, set forth any findings, conclusions, and recommended administrative or legislative actions necessary for effective and efficient management of the State's waste disposal, hazardous and toxic hazardous and toxic substances, air quality, noise and pesticides. If legislation is recommended, the commission shall prepare and submit with its report appropriate bills.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 1979.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 8th day of June, 1979.