## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## **SESSION 1995**

Short Title: School Building Study Commission. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Jordan, Edwards; Dannelly and Lucas.

Referred to: Appropriations.

January 26, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STUDY COMMISSION ON THE DISPOSITION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. There is created the Study Commission on the Disposition of Public School Buildings. The Commission shall consist of 11 members, appointed as follows:

- (1) Two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
- (2) Two members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;
- (3) Two public members appointed by the Governor;
- (4) The Superintendent of Public Instruction, or the Superintendent's designee;
  - (5) The Secretary of Cultural Resources, or the Secretary's designee;
  - (6) The Executive Director of the Historic Preservation Foundation of North Carolina, Inc., or the Executive Director's designee;
  - (7) The President of the North Carolina Association of Educators, or the President's designee;
- (8) The Executive Director of the North Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, or the Executive Director's designee.

- Sec. 2. The Commission shall study and make recommendations on methods of encouraging local boards of education to renovate old school buildings instead of replacing them, methods of promoting private sector uses for old school buildings, and any other means of avoiding the demolition of old school buildings. The Commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by March 1, 1996.
- Sec. 3. Commission members shall be appointed no later than September 1, 1995, and shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. Any vacancies on the Commission shall be filled by the original appointing authority. The Commission may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building upon the approval of the Legislative Services Commission.
- Sec. 4. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint a cochair from the membership of the Commission. The cochairs of the Commission may appoint an executive committee for any purpose as determined by the Commission.
  - Sec. 5. Members of the Commission shall be reimbursed as follows:
  - Members of the General Assembly shall receive subsistence and travel allowances as provided in G.S. 120-3.1.
  - (2) All other members shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowances as provided in G.S. 138-5.
- Sec. 6. All administrative and staff assistance shall be provided to the Commission by the Department of Cultural Resources.
- Sec. 7. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Cultural Resources the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year to implement the provisions of this act.
  - Sec. 8. This act becomes effective July 1, 1995.