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**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE AGING STUDY COMMISSION TO STUDY THE  
ISSUE OF HOW TO ENSURE THAT DOMICILIARY CARE FACILITIES  
FOLLOW PHYSICIANS' ORDERS.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The North Carolina Study Commission on Aging, established pursuant to Article 21 of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes, shall study the issue of how to ensure that domiciliary care facilities follow physicians' orders in treating their patients, including following physicians' medication orders. This study shall include what penalties should be assessed for negligent failure to follow physicians' orders and what penalties should be assessed for willful or grossly negligent failure.

The Commission shall include the results of this study, together with any legislative proposals and suggested rule changes, to the 1997 General Assembly in its regular report.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.