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Short Title: Study Firefighter Classifications.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO  
STUDY THE ISSUE OF PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS WITH  
ENHANCED BENEFITS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL  
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission is authorized to study the feasibility of establishing a new classification of "professional firefighter" for purposes of providing enhanced retirement benefits to members of the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System for service as a professional firefighter. The study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of:

- (1) Various benefit enhancements which could be provided to professional firefighters, including retirement with 25 years of service, at any age, early retirement at age 50 with 15 years of service, and an increased accrual rate for service as a professional firefighter;
- (2) The costs to local governmental employers of providing such benefit enhancements.

1           Sec. 2. The Legislative Research Commission may report its findings and  
2 recommendations to the 1997 General Assembly.

3           Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.