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HOUSE BILL 98

Short Title: Funds/Cemetery Commission LRC.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Hill.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar & Operations of the House.

February 11, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 **AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO**
3 **STUDY THE CEMETERY COMMISSION AND THE REGULATION OF**
4 **CEMETERIES IN THIS STATE AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE**
5 **STUDY.**

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study:

- 8 (1) The duties and powers of the North Carolina Cemetery Commission;
9 (2) The limitations on the authority and powers of the North Carolina
10 Cemetery Commission to safeguard the investment of consumers in
11 cemetery plots and perpetual care;
12 (3) The need for additional legislation to protect consumers when a private
13 cemetery ceases operation or is sold to a successor entity;
14 (4) The need for requiring plats to be filed with the register of deeds of the
15 county where the cemetery is located and the need to keep these plats
16 up-to-date; and
17 (5) Any other matters related to the regulation and operation of cemeteries
18 in this State.

19 The North Carolina Cemetery Commission shall cooperate fully with this study
20 if the Legislative Research Commission undertakes it.

1 Section 2. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report
2 of the results of this study, including legislative recommendations, to the 1997 General
3 Assembly, Regular Session 1998, and shall make a final report to the 1999 General
4 Assembly.

5 Section 3. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative
6 Research Commission the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the 1997-98
7 fiscal year for the purposes of this act.

8 Section 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.