

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2003**

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**HOUSE BILL 1198**

Short Title: Change Handicapped Reference to Disabled. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Alexander; and Insko.

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

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April 10, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION TO  
3 RECOMMEND LEGISLATION TO CHANGE STATUTORY REFERENCES TO  
4 HANDICAP AND HANDICAPPED TO APPROPRIATE REFERENCES TO  
5 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** The General Statutes Commission shall recommend legislation  
8 to amend the General Statutes to delete the words "handicap" and "handicapped"  
9 whenever they appear and substituting the appropriate phrase to describe persons with  
10 disabilities, unless the words are required by federal law or describe some other  
11 situation. The report shall be made no later than April 1, 2004.

12 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.