

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 742

Short Title: Study Bill for Reentry Housing Program. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative G. Graham.

For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

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

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT REQUIRING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON
3 JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY REENTRY HOUSING FOR
4 EX-OFFENDERS AND VETERAN EX-OFFENDERS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public
7 Safety shall study reentry housing programs for ex-offenders and veteran ex-offenders
8 specified in Section 2 of this act as well as ways this issue may be addressed.

9 **SECTION 2.** In conducting the study, the Committee shall consider all of the
10 following:

- 11 (1) The State's current laws, rules, or practices relating to providing housing to
12 ex-offenders and veteran ex-offenders.
- 13 (2) What may be needed to provide individuals with healthy and safe shelter
14 immediately upon release from correctional custody.
- 15 (3) How to coordinate with the Department of Public Safety to determine
16 housing options for inmates prior to release that will aid in a successful
17 reentry for offenders.
- 18 (4) What other services besides temporary and transitional housing should be
19 offered to ex-offenders and veteran ex-offenders to ensure successful
20 reentry.
- 21 (5) Any other related issues the Committee deems appropriate.

22 **SECTION 3.** The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public
23 Safety shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the 2019 General
24 Assembly, prior to the convening of the 2020 Regular Session, by filing the report with the
25 President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

26 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

