

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 537

Short Title: Study Third Year Law Student Practice Rules. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Barefoot (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 30, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY
THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE THIRD YEAR PRACTICE RULES
FOR LAW STUDENTS AS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The Legislative Research Commission is authorized to study the rules governing practical training of law students adopted by the North Carolina Board of Law Examiners pursuant to G.S. 84-24 and codified in Subchapter C of Chapter 1 of Title 27 of the North Carolina Administrative Code. The Legislative Research Commission shall include the following within this study:

- (1) The efficiency and effectiveness of the current rules governing eligibility, certification, supervision, and activities of law students receiving practical training.
- (2) The impact of the current rules on the education and legal training of law students.
- (3) The extent to which the formulation and application of the rule and the interaction of practical experience with law school curricula benefit the law student, the legal profession, and the general public.
- (4) The formulation and application of similar rules for practical training of law students in other jurisdictions.
- (5) Any other issues pertinent to this study.

SECTION 2. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report, including recommended legislation, to the 2015 General Assembly when it reconvenes in 2016 and shall make its final report to the 2017 General Assembly when it convenes.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.



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