

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 694*

Sponsors: Representatives Cotham, Holliman, Barnhart (Primary Sponsors);
M. Alexander, Bordsen, Bryant, England, Fisher, Glazier, Goodwin, Harrell,
Harrison, Insko, Jackson, Jeffus, Justice, Lucas, Luebke, Mackey, Martin,
Pierce, Tarleton, R. Warren, and Weiss.

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

March 23, 2009

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
2 COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF SMOKING PROHIBITIONS IN FOSTER
3 CARE HOMES.

4 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

5 **SECTION 1.(a)** The Legislative Research Commission (Commission) may study
6 whether smoking prohibitions that apply to foster care homes are having an impact on the
7 availability of foster care homes. In conducting the study, the Commission shall consider
8 whether smoking bans are a sensible approach to protecting the health of foster care children or
9 whether smoking bans may cause a reduction in the number of available foster care homes.

10 **SECTION 1.(b)** The Legislative Research Commission may report its findings and
11 recommendations to the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly and shall make
12 its final report to the 2011 General Assembly.

13 **SECTION 2.** The Legislative Services Officer shall allocate funds appropriated to
14 the General Assembly for the expenditures of the Legislative Services Commission in
15 conducting this study.

16 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.

