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**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO  
STUDY WHETHER OR NOT STATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES  
SHOULD BE MANAGED AND OPERATED BY PRIVATE CONTRACTORS  
AND TEMPORARILY PROHIBITING CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF  
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM ENTERING INTO  
CERTAIN TELEPHONE SERVICE CONTRACTS.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission is authorized to study the operation of the State's central telephone system and long distance telephone network and make recommendations concerning the following:

- (1) Whether the State's central telephone system should be managed and operated by a private contractor;
- (2) Whether the State's long distance telephone network should be managed and operated by a private contractor;
- (3) Whether any other telecommunications services authorized by G.S. 143B-426.39(14) and (15) should be managed and operated by a private contractor;
- (4) Whether any telecommunications services not now authorized under G.S. 143B-426.39(14) and (15) should be provided and whether they should be managed and operated by a private contractor.

1           Sec. 2. The Legislative Research Commission may report its findings,  
2 together with any recommended legislation, to the 1993 General Assembly or the 1994  
3 Regular Session of the 1993 General Assembly, or both.

4           Sec. 3. The constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina and  
5 the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics shall not enter into any contracts  
6 that will affect their use of the State telephone network or any contracts for long  
7 distance services in furtherance of the authority granted them by G.S. 62-110(d) and (e)  
8 until July 1, 1994.

9           Sec. 4. This act is effective upon ratification.