### GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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# HOUSE BILL 847 Committee Substitute Favorable 5/25/95

Short Title: Monument Contractors Act.	(Public)
Sponsors:	
Referred to:	

# April 12, 1995

### A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY THE REGULATION OF MONUMENT CONTRACTORS.

Whereas, monuments are often placed or erected in public places for the purpose of designating where a body is interred or of preserving and perpetuating the memory and name of persons; and

Whereas, those in the business of manufacturing, selling, erecting, installing, repairing, cleaning, and moving monuments are not regulated by the State; and

Whereas, the use of inferior products and the improper installation of monuments in public places jeopardizes the safety and health of the public; and

Whereas, there is a risk that monument manufacturers or those in the business of selling monuments could sell inferior products to the unsuspecting, often elderly, public consumer; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study:

(1) The need for the regulation of those persons in the business of manufacturing, selling, erecting, installing, repairing, cleaning, and moving monuments to protect the public from unsafe and defective monuments and from consumer fraud:

- The efficient and effective delivery of monument contracting services; 1 (2) 2 (3) The cost-effectiveness of regulating monument contractors; and 3 **(4)** Any other matters related to monument contractors and their impact on 4 the safety and well-being of the public. 5 Sec. 2. The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report of 6 the results of the study, including legislative recommendations, to the 1996 Regular Session of the 1995 General Assembly, and shall make a final report to the 1997 General 7 8 Assembly. 9 Sec. 3. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Research Commission the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the 1995-96 10 fiscal year and the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year 11 to implement this act. 12
  - Sec. 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 1995.

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