

## **HOUSE BILL 185: Repeal DCR's Obsolete Comms & Language.-AB**

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**Committee:** Senate State and Local Government **Introduced by:** Reps. R. Brown, Cleveland, Floyd, Riddell

**Analysis of:** PCS to Second Edition

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SUMMARY: House Bill 185 would repeal commissions within the Department of Cultural Resources that are obsolete and delete references to obsolete commissions from various statutes. It would also delete statutory language related to printing of government publications on alkaline paper.

The proposed committee substitute (PCS) would make a technical correction to remove a reference to the John Motley Morehead Commission and would also allow the Department of Cultural Resources to be the successor in interest to the John Motley Morehead Commission upon its repeal.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Section 1 of the bill would delete portions of statutes related to the printing of government publications on alkaline paper. Currently, the statutes set out a process for designation of titles for publication by the State Librarian and the University Librarian at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, notification of State agencies responsible for publishing, and requirements for reporting to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. The bill would eliminate the detailed process and reporting requirement but leave the underlying requirement that publications that are of historical or enduring value must be designated and printed on alkaline paper.

Sections 2-8 of the bill would repeal the following commissions in the Department of Cultural Resources that have served their purposes and are obsolete:

- The First Flight Centennial Commission
- The North Carolina Postal History Commission
- The America's Four Hundredth Committee
- The John Motley Morehead Commission

The bill would also remove references to these commissions and other commissions that have previously been repealed from statutes in Chapter 143B.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The bill would be effective when it becomes law.

**BACKGROUND:** House Bill 185 is an agency bill requested by the Department of Cultural Resources.

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