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Short Title: Military Voting/Internet.

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Sponsors:

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF ALLOWING
3 INTERNET VOTING BY NORTH CAROLINIANS SERVING THE ARMED
4 FORCES.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Legislative Research Commission may study issues
7 related to the creation and implementation of an Internet voting system for North
8 Carolinians serving in the armed forces or may assign such a study to the Election Laws
9 Revision Commission, if established. If this study is undertaken, the Commission shall
10 examine the following issues:

- 11 (1) The State Board of Elections implementing an Internet voting system
12 for persons in the armed forces and their spouses, for certain veterans,
13 and for civilians working with the armed forces.
- 14 (2) The system for Internet voting, including both software development
15 and the cost of purchasing necessary hardware.
- 16 (3) The impact of a system for Internet voting on the existing voting
17 systems in North Carolina.
- 18 (4) The ability to provide for secure identification and authentication of
19 any information transmitted on the system.
- 20 (5) The protection of the privacy, anonymity, and integrity of each voter's
21 ballot.
- 22 (6) The interplay between the State Board of Elections and the county
23 boards of elections in developing, implementing, and utilizing a
24 system for Internet voting administered by the State Board of
25 Elections.
- 26 (7) Other factors applicable to developing a system for Internet voting for
27 military personnel.

1 The Commission may report to the 2002 Regular Session of the 2001 General
2 Assembly or to the 2003 General Assembly on its findings and may make any
3 legislative recommendations it considers appropriate.

4 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.