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**HOUSE BILL 1003\*  
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Short Title: DOT to Study SEPA Reform Impacts.

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April 28, 2016

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY THE  
FISCAL IMPACT OF SEPA REFORM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE  
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The Department of Transportation shall study the impact on transportation projects from reforms to the State Environmental Policy Act enacted by S.L. 2015-90 (House Bill 795). The Department shall specifically assess impacts on transportation project permitting costs and any other savings due to shortening of project construction time lines. The Department shall report the results of this study, including any recommendations for other changes in State environmental law that would result in significant cost savings, to the Environmental Review Commission and the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee no later than December 1, 2016.

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

