

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 603

Short Title: Study of Localities on Unit Assistance Lists. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators D. Davis, Steinburg, and Britt (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

April 4, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO HAVE THE TREASURER STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS
2 REGARDING COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES WITH REPEATED ISSUES
3 REQUIRING ASSISTANCE BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Department of State Treasurer shall study unit assistance lists
7 prepared and used by the Local Government Commission to identify counties and municipalities
8 requiring assistance. The Department of State Treasurer shall study (i) whether there are
9 challenges, expenses, or issues commonly occurring among entities recurring on unit assistance
10 lists, including operations of local utility enterprises, insufficient fiscal and internal controls,
11 disasters, or management issues, and (ii) whether there are any legislative or other
12 recommendations or modifications that can be implemented to mitigate or avoid unsound
13 practices or violations of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes. The Department of State Treasurer
14 shall report on entities and criteria identified, along with any legislative or other
15 recommendations, to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations by February
16 1, 2020.

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

