

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 1542

Short Title: Plan To Eliminate Mandatory Min. Sentences.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Shaw.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA SENTENCING AND POLICY
3 ADVISORY COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND EVALUATE THE CURRENT
4 STRUCTURED SENTENCING SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF
5 ELIMINATING MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** The North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory
8 Commission shall review and evaluate the current sentencing structure in North
9 Carolina as set out in Chapter 15A and Chapter 90 of the General Statutes for the
10 purpose of eliminating the requirement that a mandatory minimum sentence be imposed
11 for any crime. The Sentencing Commission shall develop a plan to revise the
12 sentencing structure to eliminate mandatory minimum sentences and shall provide that
13 plan and report its recommendations on how to implement the revised structure to the
14 2007 General Assembly, 2008 Regular Session.

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