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Lien Law Unlikely To Change– Yet

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For those of you following the [proposed revisions to the NC lien law](#) that is currently at the NC House Judiciary Subcommittee B, a quick update: [the proposed bill \(HB 489\)](#) is unlikely to be voted on this legislative session due to its unpopularity with several constituency groups, including both the [AIA-North Carolina](#) and the [NC Home Builders Association](#).

According to NC Bar Association [Construction Law section](#) chair, Nan Hannah, a vote is unlikely in this legislative session. However, there is the potential for a study commission to continue the conversation and discuss alternative lien law changes that might satisfy all constituents.

Such a study commission will only occur if Subcommittee Chairman Paul Stam hears from those in the industry that such a study commission is desired. In addition to the Construction Section of the Bar, the [American Subcontractors Association of the Carolinas supports the idea](#), as do other industry groups.

If you want to add your voice of support for a study commission, contact [Representative Stam](#) or Co-chairman [Representative Grier Martin](#).

Do you believe that the proposed lien law revisions [adequately protect designers](#)? Is a study commission worthwhile? Share your thoughts in the comments section, below.

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