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SENATE BILL 312

Short Title: Orange Cnty. Outreach Pilot/Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Walker; and Hunt of Moore.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 1, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO CONTINUE THE ORANGE COUNTY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES
PILOT PROGRAM.

Whereas, a critical need exists for the development of more appropriate social and recreational activities in family care homes and rest homes in North Carolina; and

Whereas, in recognition of this need, the Domiciliary Home Community Advisory Committee of Orange County seeks to continue the pilot program that began the funding of Outreach Activities Coordinator, pursuant to Paragraph S1814 of Chapter 1094 of the 1987 General Assembly, Regular Session 1988; and

Whereas, for a period of two years this Outreach Activities Coordinator will continue to function as a consultant and facilitator in the planning, implementation and evaluation of therapeutic activities for the residents of domiciliary homes in Orange County; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Orange County Parks and Recreation Department shall continue to administer the continuation pilot program for the period of two years for the purpose of providing to the residents of domiciliary homes in Orange County individualized rehabilitation and therapeutic activities to alleviate the effects of disabilities, providing equal recreation opportunities, fostering social interaction and physical and mental health, and promoting personal satisfaction. This continuation pilot program shall consist of:

- (1) The continued funding of the position of Outreach Activities Coordinator;

1 (2) The continued employment of a Therapeutic Recreation Specialist for
2 the position of Outreach Activities Coordinator to work in
3 coordination with the Orange County Department of Social Services
4 and the Orange County Parks and Recreation Department; and

5 (3) An independent evaluation to be conducted to document the effect of
6 the continuation pilot program, and examine the impact of the
7 continuation pilot program in regard to the future establishment of a
8 statewide program.

9 The duties of the Outreach Activities Coordinator for this continuation pilot program
10 shall consist of organizing and planning, implementation, and evaluation of activities
11 based on the needs assessments of the domiciliary residents, training and supervising
12 students and volunteers to assist in program implementation, acting as a resource person
13 to home administrators, and developing contacts with community resources.

14 Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Orange County
15 Parks and Recreation Department the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) for
16 the 1989-90 fiscal year and the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) for the
17 1990-91 fiscal year to fund the costs of personnel, equipment, and evaluation needed to
18 carry out this continued pilot program.

19 Sec. 3. The independent evaluator shall prepare an evaluation report and
20 present it to the 1991 General Assembly no later than February 1, 1991.

21 Sec. 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.