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HOUSE BILL 1376

Short Title: Funds for Autism Society. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Nye; Alexander, Cunningham, Farmer-Butterfield, Insko, Luebke, McLawhorn, Wainwright, and Weiss.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

May 11, 2004

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE AUTISM SOCIETY TO COVER
INCREASES IN PERSONNEL CONTRACT COSTS FOR AUTISM SERVICES
AND INFLATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for the 2004-2005 fiscal year. These funds shall be allocated to the Autism Society of North Carolina and shall be used to cover increases in personnel contract costs for autism services and inflation, as follows:

- (1) \$70,000 for a Director of Development to develop additional financial resources for the Autism Society.
- (2) \$65,000 for a Director of Finance to analyze the Society's overall financial status and to assist other directors with financial forecasting, budgeting, and planning.
- (3) \$30,000 for a Communications Assistant to meet the increasing need for education and public awareness.
- (4) \$30,000 for a Human Resources Assistant to provide additional clerical assistance needed to enable the Human Resources Manager to focus on overall human resources issues.
- (5) \$35,000 for an IT Assistant to meet increased demand for technical support.
- (6) \$45,000 for a Parent Advocate who is fluent in Spanish to address the needs in the Hispanic community in the south-central area of the State.
- (7) \$25,000 for a summer camp to meet the increasing demand for recreational opportunities for children and adults with autism.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2004.