

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS85133-LN-61A* (2/8)

Short Title: Funds for MH Residential Services. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Nesbitt.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES FOR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY COALITION 2001.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, the sum of nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000) for the 2005-2006 fiscal year and the sum of nineteen million dollars (\$19,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. These funds shall be allocated as follows:

- (1) \$15,000,000 in each fiscal year to support a range of group and supportive living programs at the community level for persons affected by mental illness, developmental disabilities, or substance abuse problems.
- (2) \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year to expand the innovative pilot program for special assistance and for additional rental assistance funding for individuals not eligible to receive special assistance.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.