

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1592

Short Title: Coalition 2001 Funds. (Public)

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

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 20, 2004

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
3 HUMAN SERVICES TO FUND SERVICES AND SUPPORT FOR MENTAL
4 HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE
5 SERVICES COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAM, AS REQUESTED BY
6 COALITION 2001.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
9 Department of Health and Human Services the sum of thirty-eight million two hundred
10 fifty thousand dollars (\$38,250,000) for the 2004-2005 fiscal year. These funds shall be
11 allocated for community-based programs providing mental health, developmental
12 disabilities, and substance abuse services as follows:

- 13 (1) \$3,750,000 for residential service assistance.
14 (2) \$30,000,000 to reduce the waiting list for services and for community
15 capacity building.
16 (3) \$3,000,000 for training and workforce development.
17 (4) \$1,500,000 for tracking and outcome monitoring.

18 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Trust Fund
19 for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services and
20 Bridge Funding Needs the sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) for the
21 2004-2005 fiscal year. These funds shall be allocated by the Department of Health and
22 Human Services as follows:

- 23 (1) \$5,000,000 for residential development.
24 (2) \$12,000,000 to reduce the waiting list for services, and for service
25 start-up bridge funding crisis and other start-up areas for developing
26 community capacity.
27 (3) \$2,500,000 for training and workforce development.
28 (4) \$500,000 for consumer and outcome tracking.

1 **SECTION 3.** Coalition 2001 urges the General Assembly to provide
2 automatic inflationary increases in State and Medicaid dollars for community-based
3 services, and to adopt a policy that provides for these increases on an annual basis.

4 **SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2004.