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Short Title: Soc. Wkr. Max. Case Load.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Walker.

Referred to: Appropriations.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT A RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHILD FATALITY
2 TASK FORCE TO MANDATE MAXIMUM CASE LOAD AND OTHER
3 STANDARDS FOR CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES WORKERS AND TO
4 APPROPRIATE FUNDS.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. Effective October 1, 1993, the Department of Human Resources
8 shall establish maximum case loads for county departments of social services' workers
9 in child protective services investigations and child protective services treatment and
10 ratios of caseworkers to supervisors as follows:

- 11 (1) Child protective services investigations only – no more than 18 cases
12 per worker at any given time;
- 13 (2) Child protective services treatment only – no more than 20 cases per
14 worker at any given time;
- 15 (3) Child protective services combined case loads of investigation and
16 treatment – no more than 16 cases per worker at any given time; and
- 17 (4) One supervisor for every five child protective services workers.

18 Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Division of Social
19 Services, Department of Human Resources, the sum of three million dollars
20 (\$3,000,000) for the 1993-94 fiscal year and the sum of three million dollars
21 (\$3,000,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year to implement this act.

22 Sec. 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1993.