GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2005

S SENATE BILL 1656

Short Title: TANF Funds/Dom. Vio. Prevent. & Ed. Services. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Purcell; and Atwater.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FEDERAL TANF BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION SERVICES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant funds received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, the sum of one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, to maintain the provision of domestic violence services to Work First recipients. These funds shall be used to provide domestic violence counseling, support, and other direct services to clients. These funds shall not be used to establish new domestic violence shelters or to facilitate lobbying efforts.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant funds received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, to reinstate funding for domestic violence prevention and education services. These funds shall be used for grants to support initiatives by local domestic violence programs to prevent domestic violence. The Department shall award grants to community-based organizations that demonstrate the ability to collaborate and coordinate services with other local human services agencies and organizations to serve children and families where domestic violence has occurred or is occurring.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2006.