GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2005

S SENATE DRS15290-LN-264 (5/8)

Short Title: Funds for Local Drug Treatment Court Services. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Rand, Kinnaird and Clodfelter.

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO LOCAL PROVIDERS FOR TREATMENT SERVICES PROVIDED TO OFFENDERS REFERRED TO THE DRUG TREATMENT COURT PROGRAM.

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 two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. These funds shall be used for payment to local drug treatment providers for treatment services to chemically dependent offenders referred to a 12-month treatment model of the Drug Treatment Court Program. If the local management committee selects a single provider to provide services to all offenders referred from a judicial district, then these funds shall be used to pay the provider. The amount of the allocation received in each judicial district shall be proportionate to the percentage of clients served throughout the State unless agreement can be otherwise reached. The senior resident superior court judge, chief district court judge, and district attorney, in consultation with the local management committee, shall determine the appropriate distribution of the allocation received for that judicial district. Limitations imposed by the Department on other public funds spent for substance abuse treatment shall not apply to these funds.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2006.