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SENATE BILL 478

Short Title: Funds for Area Mental Health Programs.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Rand.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

March 23, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR AREA MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS.

Whereas, reductions in State appropriations for area mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services programs have amounted to over sixteen million dollars over the past eight years; Now, therefore,

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 sixteen million dollars (\$16,000,000) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year and the sum of sixteen million dollars (\$16,000,000) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year for area mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services programs. The Division shall allocate these funds by formula established by the Department to reduce the waiting list for services for each disability area.

Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.