

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 369

Short Title: Funds for MH/DD/SA Specialty Services. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Insko; Alexander, B. Allen, Bordsen, Crawford, Glazier, Lewis, Luebke, McLawhorn, Ross, Wainwright, and Weiss.

Referred to: Appropriations.

February 24, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
2 HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL
3 DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, AS RECOMMENDED
4 BY COALITION 2001.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
8 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental
9 Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, the sum of five million five hundred
10 thousand dollars (\$5,500,000) for the 2005-2006 fiscal year and the sum of five million
11 five hundred thousand dollars (\$5,500,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. These funds
12 shall be allocated as follows:

- 13 (1) \$2,500,000 in each fiscal year to provide crucial community services
14 to residents of North Carolina who experience mental illness and are
15 also deaf. Funds will also be used for continued compliance with the
16 504B Settlement Agreement between the State and the NC Association
17 for the Deaf.
18 (2) \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year for the Developmental Disabilities
19 Training Institute to continue core training for staff on DD Best
20 Practice and to provide stipends to allow staff to attend the training
21 more easily.
22 (3) \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year to assist First in Families, a support
23 program for families with people with developmental disabilities.

24 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.