

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE DRH60214-LN-145 (3/9)

Short Title: Health Care Needs/Hoke and Other Cntys. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Pierce.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF RESEARCH, DEMONSTRATIONS, AND RURAL HEALTH DEVELOPMENT, TO EVALUATE THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS IN HOKE COUNTY AND OTHER UNDERSERVED AREAS OF THE STATE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Research, Demonstrations, and Rural Health Development, shall evaluate the health care needs in Hoke County and other underserved areas where morbidity rates are unacceptably high. The Department shall report on its evaluation of Hoke County to the Joint Legislative Health Care Oversight Committee not later than October 1, 2005, and shall submit a final report not later than April 1, 2006.

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.