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SENATE DRS25065-LYx-155 (3/8)

Short Title: Fund Prevention of Child Abuse.

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Sponsors: Senator Purcell.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND FUND THE CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT SERVICES FUND.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Article 13 of Chapter 7B of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 7B-1303. Child abuse and neglect services fund; purposes.**

There is established in the Department of State Treasurer a fund to be known as the 'Child Abuse and Neglect Services Fund.' The Fund is separate from the General Fund. The Fund is to be administered by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics. The Fund shall be used to support the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services' Child Medical Evaluation Program's efforts to identify, treat, and prevent maltreatment and abuse of children, including use of the funds to support operational expenses incurred in the delivery of child abuse and neglect services provided to children, to expand child abuse medical services through educational programs for medical providers, and to improve the quality and consistency of child abuse medical services delivered to children across the State. Expenditures from the Fund shall supplement and not supplant other funds, including grants and appropriations. The Department of Pediatrics shall annually submit a written report on expenditures from the Fund to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and President Pro Tempore of the Senate."

**SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Child Abuse and Neglect Services Fund, established pursuant to Section 1 of this act, the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) for each year of the 2007-2009 fiscal biennium.

**SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2007, and applies to sales, leases, and rentals on or after that date.