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HOUSE BILL 1243

Short Title: Study Medicaid Income Levels/CAP. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Mobley; Adams, K. Alexander, Cotham, Faison, Farmer-Butterfield, Holliman, Jones, Lucas, Mackey, Parmon, Wainwright, Womble, and Wray.

Referred to: Health, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

April 9, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY THE INCOME REQUIREMENTS OF THE MEDICAID AND COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS (CAP).

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study the income requirements for eligibility to receive Medicaid and Community Alternative Program (CAP) benefits. In conducting the study the Commission may consider:

- (1) Whether income levels under the Medicaid and CAP may be changed within federal law requirements.
- (2) Whether current income levels for Medicaid and CAP are too low to enable some of the most financially vulnerable citizens from receiving care under these programs.
- (3) Whether the income levels should be increased and the impact on State costs if the income levels are increased.

SECTION 2. The Commissioner may make an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly and a final report to the 2011 General Assembly upon its convening.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

