## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2009

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Short Title:	Modify CABHA Certification Process.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senator Nesbitt.	_
Referred to:		

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO DEVELOP AND REPORT ON A PLAN FOR MODIFYING THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CRITICAL ACCESS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AGENCIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services shall develop a plan for modifying the current certification process for Critical Access Behavioral Health Agencies (CABHAs) in a manner that will ensure new provider agencies are able to qualify for participation in the CABHA network. The Division shall submit a report of the modification plan to the Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services and the Fiscal Research Division not later than October 1, 2010.

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

