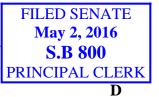
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2015



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SENATE BILL DRS25290-LUz-116A* (03/18)

| Short Title: | Study Costs Associated With NC Pre-K Slots. | (Public) |
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| Sponsors: | Senators Pate and Robinson (Primary Sponsors). | |
| Referred to: | | |

| 1 | A BILL TO BE ENTITLED |
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| 2 | AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DIVISION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EARLY |
| 3 | EDUCATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO |
| 4 | STUDY AND REPORT ON THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH SLOTS FOR THE NC |
| 5 | PRE-K PROGRAM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT |
| 6 | COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. |
| 7 | The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: |
| 8 | SECTION 1. The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child |
| 9 | Development and Early Education, shall study the costs associated with funding slots for the NC |
| 10 | Pre-K program. In conducting the study, the Division shall review and determine the following: |
| 11 | (1) The total cost to fund a NC Pre-K slot, including any local costs. |
| 12 | (2) The State share needed to fund a NC Pre-K slot by each setting, including |
| 13 | public schools, child care facilities, and Head Start. |
| 14 | (3) The amount of funds needed to maintain the current number of NC Pre-K slots |
| 15 | if the per slot cost were increased to the amount recommended by the study. |
| 16 | (4) Recommendations on how often the NC Pre-K slot costs should be evaluated |
| 17 | and reported to the General Assembly. |
| 18 | (5) Any other relevant issues the Division deems appropriate. |
| 19 | SECTION 2. The Division shall report its findings and recommendations, including |
| 20 | any legislative proposals, to the chairs of the House Appropriations Committee on Health and |
| 21 | Human Services and the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services and the |
| 22 | Fiscal Research Division on or before February 1, 2017. |
| 23 | SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law. |

