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SENATE BILL 371

Short Title: Resume Funding Adult & Pediatric TBI Pilot.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Krawiec, Perry, and Burgin (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 30, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO RESUME FUNDING FOR THE ADULT AND PEDIATRIC TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY PILOT PROGRAM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services (DMH), shall resume the adult and pediatric traumatic brain injury pilot program (TBI pilot program) authorized under Section 11F.9 of S.L. 2017-57, as amended by Section 3.3 of S.L. 2017-212.

SECTION 1.(b) There is appropriated from the General Fund to DMH the sum of six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year to be used to pay the contracted vendor for currently unfunded costs accrued by that vendor's continuation of the TBI pilot program during the 2019-2021 biennium. There is appropriated from the General Fund to DMH the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year and three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2022-2023 fiscal year to be used for the TBI pilot program.

SECTION 1.(c) No later than April 1, 2022, DMH shall submit a report on the TBI pilot program to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Fiscal Research Division. At a minimum, the report shall include all of the following:

- (1) The number and outcome of patients served at each program site, broken down by patient age and county of origin.
- (2) A breakdown of expenditures at each program site by type of service.
- (3) An estimate of the cost to expand the program incrementally and statewide.
- (4) An estimate of any potential savings of State funds associated with expansion of the program.
- (5) If expansion of the TBI pilot program is recommended, a time line and plan for expanding the program.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2021.

