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SENATE BILL DRS45563-MVa-46

| Short Title: | Increase Funding for Rape Victim Assistance. | (Public) |
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| Sponsors: | Senators Marcus, Murdock, and Mayfield (Primary Sponsors). | |
| Referred to: | | |

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

| 2 | AN ACT TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM | AMOUNT PAID BY THE ASSISTANCE | | | |
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| 3 | PROGRAM FOR VICTIMS OF RAPE | AND SEX OFFENSES TO A MEDICAL | | | |
| 4 | FACILITY OR MEDICAL PROFES | SIONAL FOR FORENSIC MEDICAL | | | |
| 5 | EXAMINATIONS. | | | | |
| 6 | The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: | | | | |
| 7 | SECTION 1. G.S. 143B-1200 reads as rewritten: | | | | |
| 8 | "§ 143B-1200. Assistance Program for Victims of Rape and Sex Offenses. | | | | |
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| 10 | (d) Eligible Expenses. – Medical facili | ties and medical professionals who perform | | | |
| 11 | forensic medical examinations shall do so using a Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit. | | | | |
| 12 | Payments by the Program for the forensic medical examination shall be limited to the following: | | | | |
| 13 | Service | Maximum Amount | | | |
| 14 | | Paid by Program | | | |
| 15 | Physician or SANE Nurse | \$350.00 <u>\$700.00</u> | | | |
| 16 | Hospital/Facility Fee | \$250.00 <u>\$500.00</u> | | | |
| 17 | Other Expenses Deemed Eligible | | | | |
| 18 | by the Program | \$200.00 | | | |
| 19 | Total: | \$800.00 <u>\$1,400.00</u> | | | |
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| 21 | SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of | | | | |
| 22 | Public Safety the sum of one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) in recurring | | | | |
| 23 | funds for the 2022-2023 fiscal year to be used to administer the Assistance Program for Victims | | | | |
| 24 | of Rape and Sex Offenses in accordance with this act. | | | | |
| 25 | SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2022, and applies to forensic | | | | |
| 26 | medical examinations conducted on or after that date | | | | |

