

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2023

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HOUSE BILL 444

Short Title: Substance Use Disorder/Update Language. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Belk, Cunningham, White, and Sasser (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Judiciary 1, if favorable, Health, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of
the House

March 23, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE TERM
"DRUG ABUSE" WHEREVER IT APPEARS IN THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO
RECOMMEND A BILL TO REPLACE IT WITH THE TERM "SUBSTANCE USE
DISORDER," WHERE APPROPRIATE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The General Statutes Commission shall review the term "drug abuse"
wherever it appears in the General Statutes and shall recommend a bill for the 2024 Regular
Session of the 2023 General Assembly that would replace it with the term "substance use
disorder," where appropriate.

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



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