

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 305

Short Title: Require Report/Protection & Advocacy Agency. (Public)

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

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 15, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCY FOR NORTH
3 CAROLINA TO REPORT ITS ACTIONS REGARDING ITS IMPACT ON PERSONS
4 WITH DISABILITIES.

5 Whereas, the action of North Carolina's Protection and Advocacy Agency has a direct
6 impact on the budget of the State of North Carolina; and

7 Whereas, the North Carolina Protection and Advocacy Agency's actions have an
8 impact on citizens with disabilities; Now, therefore,

9 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

10 **SECTION 1.** The designated Protection and Advocacy Agency (Agency) for this
11 State shall submit a quarterly report of actions the Agency has taken in its efforts to advocate for
12 persons with disabilities. The Agency shall submit its reports to the chairs of the House and
13 Senate Appropriations Committees on Health and Human Services during session and to the Joint
14 Legislative Oversight Committee on Medicaid and NC Health Choice and the Joint Legislative
15 Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services during the interim. Upon review, the
16 General Assembly is encouraged to examine the activities of the Agency to determine the impact
17 on current and future State budgets. Nothing in this section shall be construed as impacting the
18 Agency's ability to perform work within its governing laws.

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

