GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 526

Short Title: Mentally Ill Minor Def.	(Public)
Sponsors: Representative Barnes.	
Referred to: Human Resources.	

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1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF A MENTALLY ILL MINOR.
3	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
4	Section 1. G.S. 122C-3(21) reads as rewritten:
5	"(21) 'Mental illness' means: (i) when applied to an adult, an illness which
6	so lessens the capacity of the individual to use self-control, judgment,
7	and discretion in the conduct of his affairs and social relations as to
8	make it necessary or advisable for him to be under treatment, care,
9	supervision, guidance, or control; and (ii) when applied to a minor, a
10	mental condition, other than mental retardation alone, that so lessens or
11	impairs the youth's capacity either to develop or to exercise age
12	appropriate or age adequate self-control, judgment, or initiative self-
13	control or judgment in the conduct of his activities and social
14	relationships as to make it necessary or advisable for him to be under
15	treatment, care, supervision, guidance, or control-treatment."
16	Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.