

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE DRS85128-LN-60A\* (2/8)**

Short Title: Funds to Expand MH Community Capacity. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Nesbitt.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR COMMUNITY CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY COALITION 2001.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, the sum of ninety million dollars (\$90,000,000) for the 2005-2006 fiscal year, and the sum of ninety million dollars (\$90,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. These funds shall be used to develop community capacity for individuals in the target population who are waiting for services. The services to be provided include intensive outpatient and comprehensive outpatient programs for substance abuse treatment, ACT, community support, and interdisciplinary dual diagnosis teams for mental health. Funds shall also be used for the CAP/DD Medicaid program to draw down additional federal funds to reduce the DD waiting list, and for individuals on the waiting list who are not eligible for the waiver program.

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.