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SENATE BILL 669

Short Title: Dix Property-Mental Health Trust Fund. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Atwater; Allran, D. Berger, Dannelly, Kinnaird, Mansfield, McKissick, Robinson, Vaughan, Walters, and White.

Referred to: Mental Health & Youth Services.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ALLOCATION OF THE PROCEEDS FROM ANY
3 DISPOSITION OF THE DOROTHEA DIX HOSPITAL PROPERTY.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 143C-9-2(c) reads as rewritten:

6 "(c) Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-1-2, any nonrecurring savings in State appropriations
7 realized from the closure of any State psychiatric hospitals that are in excess of the cost of
8 operating and maintaining a new State psychiatric hospital shall not revert to the General Fund
9 but shall be placed in the Trust Fund and shall be used for the purposes authorized in this
10 section. Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-1-2, recurring savings realized from the closure of any
11 State psychiatric hospitals shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be credited to the
12 Department of Health and Human Services to be used only for the purposes of subsections
13 (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this section. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all funds
14 transferred into the Trust Fund from the disposition of the Dorothea Dix Hospital Property shall
15 be used only to support the purposes of subdivisions (b)(1) and (b)(3) of this section that are
16 related to persons with mental illness."

17 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 146-30 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

18 "(b2) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section or any other provision of law,
19 no service charge into the State Land Fund shall be deducted from or levied against the
20 proceeds of any disposition of the Dorothea Dix Hospital Property. The net proceeds of those
21 dispositions shall be deposited in the Trust Fund for Mental Health, Developmental
22 Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services and Bridge Funding Needs to be used for the
23 purposes provided in G.S. 143C-9-2(c)."

24 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

