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HOUSE BILL 560*

Short Title: I/DD Services Waiting List Transparency. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Malone, Dobson, and Lambeth (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Health

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO PROVIDE GREATER TRANSPARENCY REGARDING THE REGISTRY OF
UNMET NEEDS FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATIONS WAIVER AND THE
WAITING LIST FOR STATE-FUNDED INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL
DISABILITY SERVICES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Beginning October 1, 2017, twice yearly, each Local Management Entities/Managed Care Organization (LME/MCO) shall provide to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) the number of individuals within the LME/MCO's catchment area who are on the Registry of Unmet Needs for the North Carolina Innovations Waiver and who are on the waiting list for State-funded intellectual and developmental disability (I/DD) services. The following detailed information shall be provided for the individuals on either or both of these waiting lists:

- (1) Age of each individual.
- (2) Ethnicity of each individual.
- (3) Current living arrangement of the individual.
- (4) Length of time the individual has been on at least one of the two waiting lists.
- (5) The documented services and supports needed by the individual when the individual first requested services, as well as the documented services and supports currently needed by the individual.
- (6) Any documented co-occurring mental health or substance abuse needs the individual may have.
- (7) The documented primary disability of the individual and any documented secondary disabilities that the individual may have.
- (8) The county where the individual lives and, if applicable, the county of residence for Medicaid eligibility.

Each LME/MCO shall provide the information to the DHHS no later than April 1 and October 1 of each year. No later than January 1 of each year, in order to assist with funding priorities, the DHHS shall submit a report that consolidates all information received during the previous calendar year from the LME/MCOs regarding individuals who are waiting for I/DD services, and that removes any personally identifiable information, to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Medicaid and NC Health Choice and the Fiscal Research Division.



1 Reports from LME/MCOs and from DHHS shall be required under this section until
2 behavioral health services for Medicaid recipients are no longer excluded from capitated
3 Prepaid Health Plan contracts, as defined by S.L. 2015-245, as amended.

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