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HOUSE BILL DRH40151-LUa-69A

Short Title: Permanency Innovation Initiative/SaySo/Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Potts.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE PERMANENCY INNOVATION INITIATIVE  
3 AND THE SAYSO PROGRAM.  
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
5 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of  
6 Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, the sum of two million dollars  
7 (\$2,000,000) in recurring funds for each year of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium to provide  
8 additional funds for the Permanency Innovation Initiative Fund in accordance with  
9 G.S. 131D-10.9B. Funds provided pursuant to this section shall be supplemented, not supplanted,  
10 by all available federal matching funds.  
11 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of  
12 Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, the sum of one million three hundred  
13 thousand dollars (\$1,300,000) in recurring funds for each year of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium  
14 to Children's Home Society of North Carolina for the SaySo (Strong Able Youth Speaking Out)  
15 program, a statewide association of youth aged 14 through 24 who are, or have been, in the  
16 out-of-home care system in North Carolina, including foster care, group homes, and mental  
17 health placements.  
18 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2023.

