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HOUSE BILL 1660

Short Title:	Support Mental Health Clinics at UNC/Funds. (Public)

Sponsors:	Representatives Insko; Brown, Fisher, Glazier, Hughes, Jones, Lucas, Mobley, and Parfitt.

Referred to:	Appropriations.

May 13, 2010

1   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2   AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
3   SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY, TO PROVIDE
4   ONGOING SUPPORT FOR THE SCHIZOPHRENIA TREATMENT AND
5   EVALUATION (STEP) PROGRAM AND THE OUTREACH AND SUPPORT
6   INTERVENTION SERVICES (OASIS) PROGRAM.
7   The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
8   **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the University of
9   North Carolina School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, for the 2010-2011 fiscal year,
10 the sum of four hundred thousand dollars ($400,000). These funds shall be used as follows:
11   (1)   Two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) shall be used to provide: (i)
12   support for the University of North Carolina Center for Excellence in
13   Community Mental Health, (ii) training for the next generation of
14   psychiatrists, social workers, psychologists, and nurses to address the current
15   workforce crisis, (iii) statewide training and consultation in evidence-based
16   practices, and (iv) ongoing support for the Department of Psychiatry's
17   Schizophrenia Treatment and Evaluation Program (STEP) clinic.
18   (2)   Two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) shall be used to provide bridge
19   funding and ongoing support for the Outreach and Support Intervention
20   Services (OASIS) Program, a statewide program providing targeted, intense
21   interventions to individuals in the early stages of schizophrenia when
22   chronicity and disability may be most preventable. Funds shall be used to
23   support OASIS as foundation support ends, allowing OASIS to transition to
24   funding through private insurance, Medicaid, State appropriations for Mental
25   Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, and
26   other funding streams.
27   **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2010.

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