GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 382*
Committee Substitute Favorable 3/10/09

Short Title: Authorize Voluntary Medical Registry Program.   (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 4, 2009

1   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2   AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO
3   ESTABLISH A VOLUNTARY MODEL REGISTRY FOR USE BY COUNTIES AND
4   MUNICIPALITIES IN IDENTIFYING FUNCTIONALLY AND MEDICALLY
5   FRAGILE PERSONS IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE DURING A DISASTER; AND TO
6   AUTHORIZE COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES TO OPERATE SIMILAR
7   REGISTRIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON
8   EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT RECOVERY.
9   The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
10   **SECTION 1.** G.S. 166A-5(3) is amended by adding a new sub-subdivision to read:
11   "(3)   Functions of State Emergency Management. – The functions of the State
12   emergency management program include:
13   …
14   b2.   Establishment of a voluntary model registry for use by political
15   subdivisions in identifying functionally and medically fragile persons
16   in need of assistance during a disaster. Any health information
17   obtained pursuant to this sub-subdivision is confidential and is not a
18   public record pursuant to G.S. 132-1 or any other applicable statute.
19   This information shall be used only for the purposes set forth in this
20   sub-subdivision.
21   …."
22   **SECTION 2.** G.S. 166A-7(d) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
23   "(d)   In carrying out the provisions of this Article each political subdivision is authorized:
24   …
25   (5)   To coordinate the voluntary registration of functionally and medically fragile
26   persons in need of assistance during a disaster either through a registry
27   established by this subdivision or by the State. Any health information
28   obtained pursuant to this subdivision is confidential and is not a public
29   record pursuant to G.S. 132-1 or any other applicable statute. This
30   information shall be used only for the purposes set forth in this subdivision."
31   **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.