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HOUSE BILL DRH30558-MUa-40

Short Title: Substance Use Disorder/Updating Term. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Belk.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE TERM
3 "DRUG ABUSE" WHEREVER IT APPEARS IN THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO
4 RECOMMEND A BILL TO REPLACE IT WITH THE TERM "SUBSTANCE USE
5 DISORDER," WHERE APPROPRIATE.
6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
7 **SECTION 1.** The General Statutes Commission shall review the term "drug abuse"
8 wherever it appears in the General Statutes and shall recommend a bill to the 2023 General
9 Assembly that would replace it with the term "substance use disorder," where appropriate.
10 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
11 Health and Human Services the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in nonrecurring funds for
12 the 2022-2023 fiscal year for the creation and dissemination of educational materials for public
13 health professionals in this State concerning the change in language and the underlying science
14 supporting the change.
15 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2022.

