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SENATE BILL DRS15409-NDa-186

Short Title: Fund Drug Treatment/Mental Health Courts. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Mohammed (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO CREATE AND SUPPORT LOCAL JUDICIALLY
3 MANAGED ACCOUNTABILITY AND RECOVERY COURTS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated the sum of four million two hundred thousand
6 dollars (\$4,200,000) in recurring funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year from the General Fund to
7 the Administrative Office of the Courts to be used to support the work of the North Carolina
8 Judicially Managed Accountability and Recovery Court Program in creating and sustaining local
9 judicially managed accountability and recovery courts that focus on individuals suffering due to
10 various forms of substance use.

11 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated the sum of four million two hundred thousand
12 dollars (\$4,200,000) in recurring funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year from the General Fund to
13 the Administrative Office of the Courts to be used to facilitate the creation and funding of new
14 and existing local judicially managed accountability and recovery courts that focus on individuals
15 affected by one or more mental health diagnoses. Among other functions, the local judicially
16 managed accountability and recovery courts funded by this section shall recommend mental
17 health treatment plans for individuals served by the programs and shall monitor the progress of
18 individuals receiving treatment while in the programs.

19 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2024.

