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H 1551. PRE-SERV. TRAIN'G EXEMPT./CERTAIN CPS WORKERS. EXEMPTING CERTAIN SOCIAL WORKERS FROM THE PRESERVICE TRAINING REQUIREMENT PURSUANT TO LAWS REQUIRING TRAINING BY THE DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND REQUIRING THE DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO DEVELOP OR ALLOW ALTERNATIVE MODELS OF DELIVERING TRAINING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES WORKERS. Amends GS 131D-10.6A as title indicates. Allows Division of Social Services to grant exception in whole or in part to requirement under subdivision (b)(1) of statute to child welfare workers who have obtained bachelor's or master's degree from a program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or to child welfare services workers with social work experience, pursuant to rules adopted by the division. Alternative models of delivering training may include concentrated hours, such as completion of 72 hours of preservice training delivered in a consecutive two-week period, evening or weekend training models, or online training.

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