

May 17, 2006

H 2120. STRENGTHEN LOC OVERSIGHT ROLE. Filed 5/17/06. *TO STRENGTHEN THE OVERSIGHT ROLE OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES; TO REPEAL THE LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES; TO DIRECT THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO STUDY CERTAIN ISSUES; AND TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION REGARDING INCREASING HEALTH CARE COVERAGE TO INCLUDE MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES.* (1) Enacts new GS 120-244, to grant to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services the authority of a committee of the General Assembly and makes G.S. 120-19.1 through 120.19.4 (which relate to hearings, subpoenas, and examination of witnesses) applicable to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee. (2) Repeals Chapter 120, Article 23, creating the Legislative Study Commission on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services. (3) Directs the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee to study mechanisms to allow area authorities and county programs to purchase bed days from the State psychiatric hospitals; whether implementation of a Medicaid 1915(b) waiver on a statewide or expanded local basis would strengthen the ability of area authorities and county programs to manage the mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse system; and whether G.S. 122C-147.1 (Appropriations and Allocations) should be amended to modify or repeal the provisions that place funds appropriated by the General Assembly into broad age and disability categories. Directs the Committee to reports its finding and recommendations on these issues to the 2007 Regular Session of the 2007 General Assembly.

Intro. by Insko.

GS 120, STUDY

June 14, 2006

H 2120. STRENGTHEN LOC OVERSIGHT ROLE. Filed 5/17/06. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Adds new section 4 directing the LOC and the Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee to study drug treatment courts in North Carolina and report to the 2007 General Assembly.

June 30, 2006

SL 2006-32 (H 2120). STRENGTHEN LOC OVERSIGHT ROLE. AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE OVERSIGHT ROLE OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES; TO REPEAL THE LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES; TO DIRECT THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO STUDY CERTAIN ISSUES; AND TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION REGARDING INCREASING HEALTH CARE COVERAGE TO INCLUDE MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 5/17/06 and 6/14/06. Enacted June 29, 2006. Effective June 29, 2006.