

February 7, 2007

H 95. HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL REGISTRY/FUNDS. Filed 2/7/07. *TO EXPAND THE HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL REGISTRY BY AMENDING THE DEFINITIONS OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES AND HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DIVISION OF FACILITY SERVICES FOR ADDITIONAL STAFFING, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA STUDY COMMISSION ON AGING.* Amends GS 131E-256 (Health Care Personnel Registry) by (1) expanding the list of agencies, facilities, and providers considered to be "health care facilities" and (2) revising the definition of "health care personnel" to refer to any unlicensed staff of a health care facility that has direct access to residents, clients, or their property. Appropriates \$1.7 million for 2007-08 and \$1.7 million for 2008-09 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Facility Services. Health Care Personnel Registry changes become effective January 1, 2008; appropriation becomes effective July 1, 2007.

Intro. by Weiss, Earle, Bordsen, England.

GS 131E, APPROP

March 19, 2007

H 95. HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL REGISTRY/FUNDS. Filed 2/7/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Adds amendment to GS 131E-256 (which establishes a health care personnel registry) to prohibit a health care facility from employing a person for whom a substantiated finding has been entered on the registry, and makes conforming change to the bill's title.