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S 2076. PREVENT PRESCRIPTION DRUG FRAUD. Filed 5/27/08. TO REQUIRE HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AUTHORIZED TO WRITE SCHEDULE II AND ALL MEDICAID PRESCRIPTIONS FOR CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES TO USE A STATE-PROVIDED SECURE PRESCRIPTION PAD, TO REQUIRE PHARMACISTS TO FILL ONLY THOSE SCHEDULE II AND ALL MEDICAID PRESCRIPTIONS WRITTEN ON STATE-PROVIDED SECURE PRESCRIPTION PADS, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES FOR THE PURCHASE OF SOFTWARE AND SERVICES TO IMPLEMENT THIS ACT.

Amends GS 90-106 and enacts new GS 90-106.1 to require the use of state-provided prescription forms as title indicates, effective January 1, 2009. Effective October 1, 2008, requires the Department of Health and Human Services to contract with a vendor to develop and implement a document security program to address and prevent prescription drug diversion and fraud. The program shall be operated as part of the North Carolina Controlled Substances Reporting Act and must require the use of the State-provided prescription forms described in amendments to GS Chapter 90. Appropriates from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services \$100,000 for 2008-09 to implement and administer a document security program as provided in the act. Effective October 1, 2008.

Intro. by Berger of Franklin.

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