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S 1397. TROSA SUBSTANCE ABUSE FUNDS. Filed 5/25/10. *TO REDUCE PRISON COSTS BY APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR PROBATIONERS WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDERS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO CONDUCT A PILOT PROGRAM OF THE USE OF SUCH TREATMENT AND TRAINING FOR MINIMUM SECURITY INMATES.*

Appropriates \$330,000 for 2010-11 from the General Fund to the Department of Correction (Department) for Triangle Residential Options for Substance Abusers (TROSA) to be used for residential substance abuse treatment services and vocational training for up to 230 probationers per fiscal year as an alternative to incarceration. Requires TROSA to report by February 1 of alternate years, beginning in 2011, to specified legislative committees regarding the effectiveness of the program, including numbers of probationers served, range of services, and number of probationers rearrested within three years of successful program completion. Also requires financial and program data reporting.

Further authorizes the Department to conduct a pilot program of the use of TROSA as a community-based treatment program for minimum security inmates during the 2010-11 and 2011-12 fiscal years. Requires the Department to report pilot program results to Joint Legislative Corrections, Crime Control, and Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee by May 1, 2012. Effective July 1, 2010.

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