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SENATE SIMPLE RESOLUTION DRSR15077-LG-59 (03/14)

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Sponsors: Senator Hise (Primary Sponsor).

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Referred to:

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1 A SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR COMMUNITY  
2 REHABILITATION PROGRAMS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

3 Whereas, North Carolina citizens with disabilities are deserving of having the same  
4 choice of where, how, and with whom they work and spend their time as other North Carolina  
5 citizens; and

6 Whereas, North Carolina Community Rehabilitation Programs (CRP) in partnership  
7 with business and industry are an integral part of their local communities and their economies;  
8 and

9 Whereas, programs and employment offered by North Carolina CRPs through  
10 competitive integrated employment, CRP-based manufacturing, or independent work to North  
11 Carolina citizens with disabilities provide the opportunity to meet new people, gain new skills,  
12 and earn the respect, dignity, and ancillary human benefits that come with earning a paycheck  
13 and making a significant economic impact on our State's economy; and

14 Whereas, approximately 8,500 citizens with disabilities avail themselves of the  
15 opportunity to participate in these CRP programs each year and approximately 1,000 receive  
16 competitive integrated employment service each year; and

17 Whereas, the parents, guardians, and caregivers of many of these participants  
18 support and attest to the benefits of these programs and the employment provided under them;  
19 and

20 Whereas, just like other North Carolina citizens, individuals with disabilities should  
21 be free to choose the settings in which they receive services or employment, including  
22 programs offered by North Carolina CRPs in competitive integrated employment, CRP-based  
23 manufacturing, or independent work assignment; Now, therefore,

24 Be it resolved by the Senate:

25 **SECTION 1.** The Senate reaffirms its support of the services provided by the  
26 Community Rehabilitation Programs in our State and reaffirms the rights of North Carolinians  
27 to choose services, supports, and employment options provided through this network.

28 **SECTION 2.** The Senate also urges North Carolina congressional delegation to  
29 review the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act rules and definitions, promulgated by  
30 the Department of Education, to assess for any negative impact to the citizens of North  
31 Carolina.

32 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.

