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HOUSE BILL DRH10375-MM-83

Short Title: Birth Certificate Information. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Graham.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE STATE REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS TO DEVELOP A  
3 MECHANISM TO ALLOW PARENTS TO SELF-IDENTIFY THE RACE OF A CHILD  
4 BORN IN NORTH CAROLINA.  
5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
6 **SECTION 1.** No later than October 1, 2019, the State Registrar shall develop and  
7 adopt a mechanism to allow parents to self-identify the race of a child born in North Carolina.  
8 This information shall be retained electronically in the vital records system and shall be included  
9 on the birth certificate.  
10 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services shall  
11 report the mechanism adopted under Section 1 of this act to the Joint Legislative Oversight  
12 Committee on Health and Human Services no later than November 1, 2019.  
13 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

