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Short Title: Increase Private Duty Nursing Medicaid Rates. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives White, Lambeth, Adcock, and Cunningham (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE RATE PAID FOR CERTAIN PRIVATE DUTY NURSING SERVICES UNDER MEDICAID AND NC HEALTH CHOICE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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SECTION 1. Beginning January 1, 2020, the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits, shall increase to eleven dollars and twenty-five cents (\$11.25) per fifteen minutes the rate paid for private duty nursing services that are not provided in a congregate setting, pursuant to Clinical Coverage Policies 3G-1 and 3G-2.

SECTION 2. The rate increases under Section 1 of this act will affect only half of the 2019-2020 fiscal year. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefit Services, the sum of four million one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$4,150,000) in recurring funds for fiscal year 2019-2020 and eight million three hundred thousand dollars (\$8,300,000) in recurring funds for fiscal year 2020-2021 to implement the rate increases authorized under Section 1 of this act. These funds shall provide a State match for an estimated eight million four hundred thirty-seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$8,437,200) in recurring federal funds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year and sixteen million eight hundred seventy-four thousand four hundred dollars (\$16,874,400) in recurring federal funds for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, and those federal funds are appropriated to the Division of Health Benefits to pay for costs associated with the rate increases under Section 1 of this act.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2019.

