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HOUSE BILL 451
Committee Substitute Favorable 4/16/19
PROPOSED SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE H451-PCS40681-BP-20

Short Title: Temp. ABAWD Time Waivers.

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Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 27, 2019

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO
3 SEEK A TEMPORARY WAIVER FROM THE TIME LIMITS FOR ABLE-BODIED
4 ADULTS WITHOUT DEPENDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE FOOD AND
5 NUTRITION SERVICES PROGRAM IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.
6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
7 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding G.S. 108A-51.1, the Department of Health and
8 Human Services may seek a one-year temporary waiver from the U.S. Department of Agriculture
9 (USDA) for time limits established by federal law for able-bodied adults without dependents
10 (ABAWD) participating in the Food and Nutrition Services Program in this State, not to be
11 resubmitted for renewal without additional, express authority. The Department is authorized to
12 submit the one-year temporary waiver after the blanket federal waiver provided by USDA
13 expires.
14 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law. The Department's authority
15 to submit the waiver to USDA expires nine months after the federal emergency period is lifted.



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