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HOUSE BILL DRH30050-LG-10

Short Title: Adopt SUDEP Awareness Week. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Riddell.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE SECOND WEEK IN NOVEMBER AS SUDEP AWARENESS  
3 WEEK IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO RECOMMEND AWARENESS  
4 TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE FOR STUDENTS WITH  
5 EPILEPSY OR OTHERWISE PREDISPOSED TO SEIZURES.

6 Whereas, "SUDEP" is the sudden, unexpected death of a person with epilepsy who  
7 was otherwise considered healthy; and

8 Whereas, each year, more than one out of 1,000 people with epilepsy die from  
9 SUDEP; and

10 Whereas, uncontrolled seizures increase the risk of SUDEP to more than one out of  
11 150 people; and

12 Whereas, during National Epilepsy Awareness Month, it is important to also bring  
13 awareness of SUDEP; Now, therefore,

14 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

15 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 103 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new  
16 section to read:

17 **"§ 103-19. SUDEP Awareness Week.**

18 The week beginning on the second Sunday in November of each year is designated as Sudden  
19 Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP) Awareness Week in North Carolina."

20 **SECTION 2.** Article 25A of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended by  
21 adding a new section to read:

22 **"§ 115C-375.7. Seizure awareness training for school personnel.**

23 (a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Shannon Leigh Adcock, Steven  
24 Anthony Christos, and Samantha Davis Memorial Act."

25 (b) It is the goal of the General Assembly to encourage local boards of education to  
26 develop and provide seizure awareness training for all teachers and other school personnel who  
27 may be responsible for students with epilepsy or students that are otherwise predisposed to  
28 seizures."

29 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

