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HOUSE BILL DRH10426-MHa-99A

Short Title: Further Limit General Fund Operating Budget. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Riddell.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO REDUCE THE INCREASE IN THE STATE GENERAL FUND OPERATING
BUDGET BY REDUCING THE STATUTORY CAP ON THE OPERATING BUDGET AS
A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL STATE PERSONAL INCOME TO SIX PERCENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 143C-4-6 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143C-4-6. General Fund operating budget size limited.

(a) Size Limitation. – Except as otherwise provided in this section, the General Fund operating budget each fiscal year shall not be greater than ~~seven percent (7%)~~ six percent (6%) of the projected total State personal income for that fiscal year.

(a1) Extraordinary Exceedance of Budget Size Limitation. – In each fiscal year, funds in excess of the size limitation set forth in subsection (a) of this section shall be available for expenditure upon a two-thirds vote of the membership of the Senate and the House of Representatives present and voting.

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SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2025, and applies to General Fund operating budgets adopted by the General Assembly on or after that date.

