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SENATE BILL DRS45494-NLa-132

Short Title: Medicaid Innovations Waiver Slot Expansion. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Lowe (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATIONS WAIVER SLOTS.
3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
4 **SECTION 1.(a)** The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health
5 Benefits (DHB), shall amend the North Carolina Innovations waiver to increase the number of
6 waiver slots available under the waiver by 1,000 slots. These 1,000 additional slots shall be made
7 available on July 1, 2026, or as soon as practicable after that date.
8 **SECTION 1.(b)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
9 Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits (DHB), the sum of thirty-six million
10 two hundred thousand dollars (\$36,200,000) in recurring funds and associated receipts beginning
11 with the 2026-2027 fiscal year to be used to fund these additional slots.
12 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2026.



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