

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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February 1, 2018

SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

The Honorable Louis Pate, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services North Carolina General Assembly Room 311, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

The Honorable Donny Lambeth, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services North Carolina General Assembly Room 303, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

The Honorable Josh Dobson, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services North Carolina General Assembly Room 301N, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

Dear Chairmen:

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On behalf of Secretary Cohen, the Department of Health and Human Services is notifying you that this report will be delayed, as the Department is waiting on critical data that will inform this report. We will submit this report on or before March 1, 2018.

Should you have any questions concerning this report, please contact Dale Armstrong, Deputy Secretary for Facility Based Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Services at 919-855-4700 or Dale.Armstrong@dhhs.nc.gov.

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The Honorable Shirley Randleman, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety
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The Honorable Ted Davis, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety North Carolina General Assembly Room 417B, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

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