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KODY H. KINSLEY Secretary

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The Honorable Donny Lambeth, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services North Carolina General Assembly Room 620, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

The Honorable Larry Potts, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services North Carolina General Assembly Room 307B1, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603 The Honorable Jim Burgin, Chair Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services North Carolina General Assembly Room 308, Legislative Office Building Raleigh, NC 27603

Dear Chairmen:

Session Law 2021-180, Section 9I.12(c) requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, in collaboration with the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, to establish a two-year child welfare and behavioral health pilot project that will provide easier access to comprehensive health services for children in foster care and to submit a final report on the pilot project to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services by October 1, 2023.

I am hereby notifying you that this report will be delayed.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Karen Wade, Director of Policy, at Karen.Wade@dhhs.nc.gov.

Sincerely,

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