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SENATE BILL 1149

Short Title: Out-of-Home Respite Care Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Carpenter; Clark, Cochrane, Dannelly, Forrester, Foxx, Garwood, Ledbetter, Lucas, Martin of Pitt, Martin of Guilford, Page, and Purcell.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 18, 1998

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT PERTAINING TO THE
3 REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR THE RESPITE CARE PROGRAM.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 143B-181.10(c) reads as rewritten:

6 "(c) Respite care services provided by the programs established by this section may
7 include:

- 8 (1) Counseling and training in the caregiving role, including coping
9 mechanisms and behavior modification techniques;
10 (2) Counseling and accessing available local, regional, and State services;
11 (3) Support group development and facilitation;
12 (4) Assessment and care planning for the patient of the caregiver;
13 (5) Attendance and companion services for the patient in order to provide
14 release time to the caregiver;
15 (6) Personal care services, including meal preparation, for the patient of the
16 caregiver;
17 (7) Temporarily placing the person out of his home to provide the caregiver
18 total respite when the mental or physical stress on the caregiver
19 necessitates this type of respite.

1 ~~Program funds may provide no more than the current adult care reimbursement rate for out of~~
2 ~~home placement.~~—An out of home placement is defined as placement in a hospital, skilled
3 or intermediate nursing facility, adult care home, adult day health center, or adult day
4 care center. Duration of the service period may extend beyond a year."

5 Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.