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HOUSE BILL 1454

Short Title: Payments for LIEAP/CIP/Utility Payments Only. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Burr; Cleveland and Lucas.

Referred to: Energy and Energy Efficiency, if favorable, Appropriations.

April 13, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT REQUIRING THAT FUNDS A RECIPIENT RECEIVES FOR THE
LOW-INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OR THE CRISIS
INTERVENTION PROGRAM BE USED FOR THE PAYMENT OF UTILITY
SERVICES RELATED TO HEATING OR COOLING A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING
ONLY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 108A of the General Statutes is amended by adding the following new section to read:

"§ 108A-25.4. Use of payments under the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program and Crisis Intervention Program.

Any payments a recipient receives from the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program or the Crisis Intervention Program shall be used for the payment of utility services only. A recipient who uses payments in violation of this section shall be subject to action by the county department of social services in accordance with rules adopted by the Commission. For purposes of this section, 'utility services' means services provided for the purpose of heating or cooling a residential dwelling."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

