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HOUSE BILL 82*

Short Title: Funds for Step-Down Unit for BART Program. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Insko, M. Alexander, Brisson, and Farmer-Butterfield (Primary Sponsors).

For a complete list of Sponsors, see Bill Information on the NCGA Web Site.

Referred to: Health and Human Services.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO
3 IDENTIFY AND REPORT ON FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT
4 OF A STEP-DOWN UNIT FOR THE BEHAVIORALLY ADVANCED RESIDENTIAL
5 TREATMENT PROGRAM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE
6 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL
7 DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES.

8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental
10 Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services (Division), in consultation
11 with the leadership and advisory committee of the Murdoch Developmental Center, shall
12 identify funding sources available to establish a unit providing step-down services from the
13 Behaviorally Advanced Residential Treatment (BART) Program. By October 1, 2011, and
14 quarterly thereafter until a BART step-down unit is established, the Division shall report to the
15 Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance
16 Abuse Services on the progress toward identifying funding for, and establishing, the step-down
17 unit.

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

