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HOUSE BILL 161*

Short Title: Long-Term Care Local Lead Agency. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Insko; Earle, Warren, Luebke, and Womble.

Referred to: Aging, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

February 19, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
3 SERVICES TO STUDY THE DESIGNATION OF A LEAD AGENCY FOR
4 LONG-TERM CARE PLANNING.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of
7 Aging, shall study whether counties should designate local lead agencies to organize a
8 local long-term care are planning process, as described in Recommendation #10 of the
9 Institute of Medicine's (IOM) Long-Term Care Task Force Interim Report of June 30,
10 2000. In conducting the study, the Department shall consider how a lead agency for
11 long-term care planning at the local level would relate to other requirements for county
12 planning and long-term care. The Department shall report its findings and
13 recommendations to the North Carolina Study Commission on Aging on or before
14 October 1, 2001. The report shall specifically address the IOM Task Force
15 recommendation and rationale pertaining to local planning and long-term care services.

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