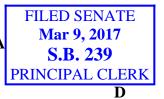
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2017



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SENATE BILL DRS15058-LUa-12A (12/01)

	Short Title:	Youth Development Pilot Program.	(Public)
	Sponsors:	Senators Rabin, Krawiec, and Sanderson (Primary Sponsors).	
	Referred to:		
1		A BILL TO BE ENTITLED	
2	ΑΝ ΑCΤ ΤΟ	ESTABLISH THE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PILOT PROGRAM	М
$\frac{2}{3}$		hereas, Section 15 of Article I of the Constitution of North Card	
4		have a right to the privilege of education, and it is the duty of the	-
5	maintain that		state to guara and
6		Thereas, Section 1 of Article IX of the Constitution of North Car	olina provides, in
7		the means of education shall forever be encouraged"; and	onna provideo, m
8	· ·	hereas, Section 1 of Article IX of the Constitution of North C	Carolina gives the
9		mbly broad powers in certain responsibilities regarding education in	Ū
10		hereas, many studies recognize that family background has	
11		student achievement and that students from two-parent famili	
12	achievers; and		-
13		hereas, nearly forty percent (40%) of North Carolina's students' fa	
14		one parent or guardian, a situation which studies suggest is r	not as positive an
15		student achievement as two-parent families; and	
16		hereas, the data indicate that students in homes with one parent or	guardian are more
17		e disciplinary problems; and	
18		hereas, there is strong evidence that, in some cases, community pr	ograms can offset,
19	-	ee, the absence of a strong family background; and	
20		hereas, it would seem within the scope of the Constitutional resp	
21		vestigate ways to strengthen community activities that suppo	rt higher student
22	achievement;		
23		hereas, it is the intent of this legislation to take that first investi	gative step; Now,
24	therefore;	A second las of No 44 Courting on order	
25		Assembly of North Carolina enacts:	[aalth and Human
26 27		ECTION 1.(a) Pilot Program Created. – The Department of H vision of Social Services (Division), shall establish a two-year y	
28	,	n to focus on serving the needs of youth in the community. T	1
28	1 1 0	ee counties in the State to conduct the pilot program. The three co	
30	-	gram shall be geographically diverse and each represent a tier on	
31		respectively. For purposes of this section, tier one, tier two, and	
32	•	e same designations as those established by the N.C. Department of	
33	County Tier I		2011
34	•	ECTION 1.(b) Committees. – For each county selected to parti	cipate in the pilot
35		county board of commissioners in that county shall appoint volun	



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1	local youth development committee. Each local youth development committee shall consist of five		
2	members, including:		
3	(1) One member from the county board of commissioners.		
4	(2) One member from the local board of education.		
5	(3) One member from the local chamber of commerce.		
6	(4) Two members recommended by the county board of commissioners who do not		
7	meet the criteria of any of the members under subdivisions (1) through (3) of		
8	this subsection.		
9	SECTION 1.(c) Duties. – The local youth development committee shall be		
10	responsible for establishing criteria for grants and approving grant requests from each eligible		
11	youth development activity organization, which is a community organization that provides a place		
12	where school-aged students from grades K-12 receive counseling, mentoring, tutoring, and any		
13	other related services after school and during vacations from school. The local youth development		
14	committee shall not use funds for administrative costs.		
15	SECTION 1.(d) Eligibility. – In order to be eligible to receive grant funds under this		
16	section, a youth development activity organization shall fulfill the criteria established by the local		
17	youth activity committee. The application process shall include measures for effectiveness,		
18	including, at a minimum, data from each of the following groups:		
19	(1) The number of K-12 students attending, by each grade level.		
20	(2) The average number of students who have dropped out of school in the age		
21	range of grade levels K-12.		
22	SECTION 1.(e) Reports. – Each local youth development committee from the three		
23	counties selected to participate in the pilot program shall monitor the success of the youth		
24	development activity organizations awarded grants pursuant to this section and shall make an interim report to the Division on the success of these argenizations by July 1, 2018. The Division		
25 26	interim report to the Division on the success of those organizations by July 1, 2018. The Division		
20 27	shall then make an interim report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and		
27	Human Services by October 1, 2018, on the youth development activity organizations receiving grants pursuant to the pilot program, the success of these programs, and the costs associated with		
28 29	grants pursuant to the pilot program, the success of those programs, and the costs associated with administering the program. By July 1, 2019, those local youth development committees		
30	participating in the pilot program shall make a final report to the Division on the success of the		
31	organizations awarded grants pursuant to this section. The Division shall make a final report to the		
32	Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services by October 1, 2019, on the		
33	success of the programs, along with any recommendations for sustaining the program.		
34	SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of		
35	Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, the sum of three hundred thousand		
36	dollars (\$300,000) for the 2017-2018 fiscal year and the sum of three hundred thousand dollars		
,0 87	(\$300,000) for the 2018-2019 fiscal year to fund the youth development pilot program established		
38	under Section 1 of this act, with each of the three counties selected to participate in the pilot		
39	program receiving one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 2017-2018 fiscal year and one		
40	hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.		
41	SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2017.		