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NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AMENDMENT
House Bill 259

AMENDMENT NO. A8
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Amends Title [NO]
Second Edition

Date _____, 2023

Representative Cleveland

1 moves to amend the bill on page 352, lines 14-22, by rewriting those lines to read:
2 "**SECTION 30.4A.(a)** Firefighters' Health Benefits Pilot Program. – Of the funds
3 appropriated in this act to the Department of Insurance, the sum of seven million five hundred
4 thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) in nonrecurring funds for each fiscal year of the ~~2021-2023~~
5 2023-2025 fiscal biennium shall be used to ~~establish~~ continue and administer a pilot program to
6 provide health benefits as authorized by this section to eligible firefighters with a new diagnosis
7 of cancer on or after January 1, 2022. The health benefits provided under the pilot program shall
8 be supplemental to any other health benefits authorized by law for firefighters. The pilot program
9 shall end on ~~June 30, 2023~~, June 30, 2025, but claims for health benefits filed by that date shall
10 be paid as long as funds appropriated for the pilot program are available. Effective January 1,
11 2024, the Department shall begin administering the pilot program instead of purchasing private
12 insurance for that purpose. The Department may use up to five percent (5%) of the funds
13 appropriated for the pilot program in this act for the purpose of hiring additional staff to aid in
14 administering the pilot program in-house and conducting an independent audit of the pilot
15 program. The results of the independent audit shall be submitted to the General Assembly and
16 the Governor no later than July 1, 2025, along with the report required by subsection (f) of this
17 section.'
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SIGNED _____
Amendment Sponsor

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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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