

HOUSE BILL 10: DHHS Eating Disorder Study.

2017-2018 General Assembly

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OVERVIEW: The Proposed Committee Substitute to House Bill 10 would require the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public health to study eating disorders in North Carolina and issue a report on its findings to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services by November 1, 2017.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 of the bill would direct the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health to study eating disorders in North Carolina. The study must do the following:

- Identify the number of diagnosed incidences of eating disorders in North Carolina.
- Provide an estimate of the number of individuals who have an eating disorder but have not been diagnosed.
- Identify the number of individuals being treated for an eating disorder.
- Identify ways the state can increase awareness of eating disorders.
- Examine the adequacy of training provided to public school educators in identifying the symptoms of eating disorders and in providing support to those affected by eating disorders.
- Make recommendations for improving education, prevention, early detection, and treatment of eating disorders.
- Identify the availability of treatment consistent with the current best practices described by the American Psychiatric Association.
- Consider any other issue the Division deems relevant.

Section 2 of the bill would require the Division to submit a report containing its findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services on or before November 1, 2017. Based on the Division's report, the Committee must consider making a recommendation to the 2018 General Assembly.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This bill would be effective when it becomes law.

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