



# HOUSE BILL 36: NC IOM Study of Eye Care Access.

2017-2018 General Assembly

<b>Committee:</b>	House Health. If favorable, re-refer to Insurance. If favorable, re-refer to Appropriations	<b>Date:</b>	April 26, 2017
<b>Introduced by:</b>	Reps. Burr, Collins, Dobson, Howard	<b>Prepared by:</b>	Theresa Matula
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**OVERVIEW:** *The Proposed Committee Substitute for House Bill 36 would direct the North Carolina Institute of Medicine to study the issues addressed in House Bill 36 Enact Enhanced Access to Eye Care Act, as introduced, and to report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services on or before October 1, 2018.*

**CURRENT LAW:**

Article 31 of Chapter 90 pertains to the Institute of Medicine.

G.S. 90-470(b) provides that the Institute of Medicine is organized to:

- (1) Be concerned with the health of the people of North Carolina;
- (2) Monitor and study health matters;
- (3) Respond authoritatively when found advisable;
- (4) Respond to requests from outside sources for analysis and advice when this will aid in forming a basis for health policy decisions.

**BILL ANALYSIS:**

**Section 1** of the Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for House Bill 36 would direct the North Carolina Institute of Medicine (NC IOM) to study the issues addressed in House Bill 36 Enact Enhanced Access to Eye Care Act as introduced during the 2017 Regular Session of the 2017 General Assembly.

**Section 2** of the PCS would direct the NC IOM to report findings and recommendations pertaining to enhanced access to eye care, including draft legislation if appropriate, to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services on or before October 1, 2018.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** House Bill 36 would become effective when it becomes law.

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