



# HOUSE BILL 982: IDD Data Sharing/Longitudinal Data System.

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**OVERVIEW:** *The 3rd edition of House Bill 982 would create a task force to study the collection and use of data on education and employment outcomes for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities ("IDD") through the North Carolina Longitudinal Data System ("Data System"). The bill is a recommendation from the Legislative Research Commission Committee on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.*

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

- House Bill 982 would create a task force to study the collection and use of data on education and employment outcomes for individuals with IDD through the Data System.
- The task force would include representatives from: the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Public Instruction, the North Carolina Community College System, the University of North Carolina, local school administrative units and charter schools, North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Labor, the Department of Revenue, the North Carolina Postsecondary Education Alliance, and community organizations serving individuals with IDD.
- The task force would be required to consider:
  - Establishing uniform definitions of disability.
  - Conducting an inventory of the unique individual identifiers used within each agency.
  - Identifying common performance measures and establishing key indicators.
  - Establishing a uniform length of time in which individuals are tracked.
  - Developing interagency data sharing agreements.
  - Identifying any limitations to sharing data.
  - Developing strategies for handling situations when the Data System cannot be utilized, including when sample sizes are too small.
  - Recommending use of measurability assessments under Chapter 143E of the General Statutes.

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

**BACKGROUND:** The Legislative Research Commission Committee on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities presented the finding below in their 2018 report.

"There is a need for coordinated data collection and analysis among and across various State agencies and stakeholders in order to be able to evaluate program effectiveness."

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