OVERVIEW: Sec. 11F.11 of S.L. 2017-57 encourages the North Carolina Area Health Education Centers Program to report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Fiscal Research Division by December 1, 2017 on the feasibility of providing a continuing education course for health care providers licensed to prescribe controlled substances in the State. The course would include instruction on at least all of the following:

- Controlled substance prescribing practices.
- Controlled substance prescribing for chronic pain management.
- Misuse and abuse of controlled substances.

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