

2023-2024 General Assembly

HOUSE BILL 259: 2023 Appropriations Act, Sec. 9G.6A: Building A Safety Net Through an Accountable System of Care Focused on Substance Use and Mental Health Issues in the Workplace/Pilot Program

Committee:Date:December 15, 2023Introduced by:Prepared by:Jessica BoneyAnalysis of:Sec. 9G.6A of S.L. 2023-134Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: Section 9G.6A of S.L. 2023-134 appropriates \$2 million in nonrecurring funds for the 2023-2024 fiscal year to the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Use Services (DMH/DD/SUS), Department of Health and Human Services, to allocate to Truusight Health Solutions, LLC, for a two-year public-private partnership pilot program in Cabarrus and Stanly Counties to address the needs of employees requiring access to behavioral health services and to support employers in this State to navigate the complex behavioral health system. The pilot program must do the following:

- Include the involvement of relevant stakeholders.
- Develop necessary requirements and protocols to operationalize a coordinated system of care.
- Develop and deploy technology capable of tracking and managing access to services that is compatible with NCCare 360.

Within a year to 18 months of the start date of the pilot program, DMH/DD/SUS in coordination with Truusight Health Solutions, LLC, are required to submit a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services. The report must include (i) an assessment of the success of the pilot program, (ii) any challenges faced by the pilot program, (iii) outcomes for both employees and employers, (iv) impacts to the involved counties, and (v) recommendations and estimates for permanent implementation of the pilot program within Cabarrus and Stanly County, as well as statewide.

This section became effective July 1, 2023.

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