

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 664

Short Title: Support/Expand Workforce IDD Options. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Burgin (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

April 10, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO EXPAND COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT
2 SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DIVISIONS OF SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND
3 VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.(a)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
7 Health and Human Services, Division of Services for the Blind, the sum of one hundred
8 twenty-eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$128,400) in recurring funds for the 2023-2024
9 fiscal year and the sum of three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$385,000) in recurring
10 funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

11 **SECTION 1.(b)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
12 Health and Human Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services, the sum of four
13 hundred fifty-eight thousand three hundred dollars (\$458,300) in recurring funds for the
14 2023-2024 fiscal year and the sum of one million three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars
15 (\$1,375,000) in recurring funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

16 **SECTION 1.(c)** Funds provided under subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall
17 be used for recruitment and retention of service-critical positions and to increase the rates to
18 service providers to enhance capacity.

19 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2023.

