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HOUSE BILL 304
Committee Substitute Favorable 5/25/89

Short Title: Prisoner's AIDS Tests.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 21, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO CONDUCT
2 A SIX-MONTH MANDATORY TESTING OF ALL INCOMING INMATES FOR
3 THE HIV VIRUS INFECTION.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 148-19 is amended by adding the following section to read:

7 "(e) All incoming inmates admitted to the Department of Correction between
8 October 1, 1989, to March 31, 1990, shall be tested for the HIV antibody. Any inmate
9 found to have a positive reaction shall have repeat and confirmatory testing performed.
10 The Department will provide appropriate pre-test and post-test counseling for all
11 inmates tested."

12 Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
13 Correction \$173,665 for the 1989-90 fiscal year to be used for the HIV virus testing
14 program. The funds shall be allocated as follows:

15 (a) Fifty-eight thousand five hundred twenty-two dollars (\$58,522) shall be
16 used for laboratory testing expenses, to test an estimated 9,796 incoming inmates
17 between October 1, 1989, and March 31, 1990.

18 (b) One hundred sixteen thousand four hundred seventy-eight dollars
19 (\$116,478) shall be used for six contractual medical counselors who will provide pre-
20 test and post-test counseling to all inmates tested. These contractual medical counselors
21 will be further responsible for data aggregation, HIV training programs, and follow-up
22 counseling, and shall be employed from October 1, 1989, through July 1, 1990.

1 Sec. 3. The Division of Prisons shall track all AIDS-related expenditures of
2 the Department of Correction for prisoners committed to the Department during the
3 1989-90 fiscal year and shall report the results of this study no later than May 1, 1990,
4 to the 1989 General Assembly.

5 Sec. 4. Section 3 of this act shall become effective July 1, 1989. The
6 remainder of this act shall become effective October 1, 1989, and shall apply to inmates
7 committed to the Department of Correction on or after that date. Sections 1 and 2 shall
8 expire July 1, 1990, unless reenacted by the General Assembly.