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## HOUSE DRH30231-MM-107 (03/27)

Short Title: Occup. Therapy/Choice of Provider. (Public) Representatives Avila, Blackwell, Hurley, and Holley (Primary Sponsors). Sponsors: Referred to: A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 2 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT PATIENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE THEIR 3 OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST UNDER THEIR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS. 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 58-50-30(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read: 6 "§ 58-50-30. Right to choose services of certain providers. 7 8 (b) This section applies to the following provider types: 9 . . . An occupational therapist licensed by the North Carolina Board of 10 (16)Occupational Therapy pursuant to Article 18D of Chapter 90 of the General 11 12 Statutes." SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2015, and applies to health 13 14 benefit contracts issued, renewed, or amended on or after that date.

