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HOUSE BILL DRH10151-NDa-121

Short Title: Support Male Survivors of Domestic Violence. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Roberson.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CREATE THE SUPPORT MALE SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
3 GRANT PROGRAM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.(a)** Creation of Grant Program. – The Support Male Survivors of
6 Domestic Violence Grant Program is established within the State Treasury. The program shall
7 be administered by the Department of Administration, North Carolina Council for Women and
8 Youth Involvement, and shall be used to make grants to centers, shelters, and other organizations
9 serving survivors of domestic violence for the purpose of developing, maintaining, or expanding
10 services for male survivors of domestic violence. Beginning July 1, 2024, up to twenty-five
11 percent (25%) of the remaining grant funds may also be distributed to centers, shelters, and other
12 organizations serving survivors of domestic violence for the purpose of raising public awareness
13 of issues surrounding domestic violence against male persons. This program shall be
14 administered in accordance with the provisions of the State Budget Act. The North Carolina
15 Council for Women and Youth Involvement shall allow eligible centers, shelters, and
16 organizations to apply at least quarterly for grant funds and shall make determinations regarding
17 grant program applications within 90 days of (i) each application deadline or (ii) the receipt of
18 each application if there is no application deadline.

19 **SECTION 1.(b)** Restrictions on Grant Program Distributions and Eligibility. – For
20 each fiscal year that grants are distributed, no grant recipient shall receive an amount in excess
21 of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000). To be eligible to receive grant funds under this
22 section, a center, shelter, or other organization must be a nonprofit corporation or a local
23 governmental entity.

24 **SECTION 1.(c)** Grant Procedures and Criteria. – The North Carolina Council for
25 Women and Youth Involvement shall establish the procedures and criteria for awarding grants
26 from the Support Male Survivors of Domestic Violence Grant Program. The Council shall make
27 the final decision on the award of grants and shall announce the award publicly in a timely
28 manner.

29 **SECTION 1.(d)** On or before September 1 of each fiscal year, the North Carolina
30 Council for Women and Youth Involvement shall report the complete history of distributions of
31 grant funds from the Support Male Survivors of Domestic Violence Grant Program to the chairs
32 of the House General Government Appropriations Committee, the chairs of the Senate
33 Appropriations on General Government and Information Technology Committee, and the Fiscal
34 Research Division of the General Assembly. The report shall include, at a minimum, the date,
35 amount, and recipient of each distribution of grant funds, as well as the current balance of funds



1 appropriated or allocated to be distributed as grant funds under the Support Male Survivors of
2 Domestic Violence Grant Program.

3 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
4 Administration, North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement, the sum of one
5 million dollars (\$1,000,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2023-2024 fiscal year to be used in
6 accordance with the provisions and requirements of Section 1 of this act. These funds shall not
7 revert but shall remain available for expenditure by the Council for the purposes set forth in
8 Section 1 of this act.

9 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2023.