

ADOPTED

Senators Brass of the 28th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Orrock of the 36th offered the following amendment:

1 *Amend the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services substitute to SB 483*
 2 *(LC 33 8349S) by inserting after "definitions;" on line 5 the following:*

3 *to provide for a pilot program; to provide for a report; to provide for rules and regulations;*
 4 *to provide for an effective date; to provide for automatic repeal;*

5 *By striking the quotation mark at the end of line 39.*

6 *By inserting after line 39 the following:*

7 (d) This Code section shall be conducted as a pilot program in three counties identified by
 8 the department. The purpose of the pilot program shall be to increase behavioral health
 9 providers for indigent and Medicaid patients in rural areas of this state.

10 (e) No later than December 31, 2025, the department shall provide a report to the
 11 chairpersons of the House Committee on Health and Human Services and the Senate
 12 Health and Human Services Committee. Such report shall include an evaluation on the
 13 effectiveness of the pilot program in increasing access to behavioral health services for
 14 indigent and Medicaid patients and recommendations as to whether the pilot program
 15 should be implemented state wide.

16 (f) The department shall be authorized to establish such rules and regulations as may be
 17 necessary to implement the pilot program.

18 (g) This Code section shall become effective on January 1, 2021. This Code section shall
 19 stand repealed by operation of law on December 31, 2025."