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Short Title: '95 Continuation Budget. (1		
Sponsors:		
Referred to:		
February 21, 1995		
A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CONTINUATION BUDGET OPERATIONS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND AGENCIES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.		
The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:		
PART 1. INTRODUCTION AND TITLE OF ACT		
INTRODUCTION Section 1. The appropriations made in this act are for maximum amounts		

necessary to provide the services and accomplish the purposes described in the budget.

Savings shall be effected where the total amounts appropriated are not required to

perform these services and accomplish these purposes and, except as allowed by the

Executive Budget Act, or this act, the savings shall revert to the appropriate fund at the

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end of each fiscal year.

1 2 TITLE OF ACT 3 Sec. 1.1. This act shall be known as the Continuation Budget Operations 4 Appropriations Act of 1995. 5 6 PART 2. GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS 7 **CURRENT OPERATIONS/GENERAL FUND** 8 9 Sec. 2. Appropriations from the General Fund of the State for the maintenance 10 of the State departments, institutions, and agencies, and for other purposes as enumerated are made for the biennium ending June 30, 1997, according to the schedule that follows. 11 12 Amounts set out in brackets are reductions from General Fund appropriations for the 13 1995-96 and 1996-97 fiscal years. 14 15 Current Operations - General Fund 1995-96 1996-97 16 17 General Assembly \$ 27,313,680 \$ 30,702,253 18 19 Judicial Department 279,906,085 282,890,857 20 21 Office of the Governor 22 01. Office of the Governor 18,198,622 18,307,085 23 02. Office of State Budget 24 and Management3,442,164 3,578,579 Office of State Planning1,704,652 1,707,057 25 03. 04. Housing Finance Agency 2,300,000 2,300,000 26 27 Office of the Lieutenant Governor 28 577,313 578,729 29 30 Department of Secretary of State 4,580,487 4,632,853 31 32 Department of State Auditor 8,822,793 8,828,840 33 34 Department of State Treasurer 35 01. State Treasurer 6,015,881 6,023,960 36 02. Special Contributions 7,477,187 7,477,187 37 38 Department of Public Education 3,921,801,088 3,986,893,062 39 40 Department of Justice 63,989,315 64,196,421 41 42 Department of Administration 52,166,311 53,421,227 43

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GENER	AL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH	CAROLINA 1995
Departm	ent of Agriculture	45,496,479 45,745,793
Department of Labor		15,054,312 14,902,477
Departm	ent of Insurance	19,425,166 18,716,396
01. 02. Total De	ent of Transportation Aeronautics 9,434,000 10, Aid to Railroads 100,000 100,0 partment of	000
Transpoi	rtation	9,534,000 10,147,210
	ent of Environment, Health, and Resources	228,151,130 228,130,320
Office of	f Administrative Hearings	2,041,641 2,046,136
Rules Re	eview Commission	262,661 262,661
01. 02. 03. 04. 05. 06. 07. 08.	Division of Medical Assistance Division of Services for the Blind 15,285,610 13 Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, an Substance Abuse Services Division of Facility Services Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services 26,298	967 12,926,726 t 120,577,456 127,437,199 24,258,781 24,972,142 200,403,691 203,840,889 c 1,045,077,626 1,169,772,076 5,231,439 d 474,766,338 472,445,902 9,198,369 9,126,950
Departm	ent of Correction	769,566,087 797,559,181
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Departm 01.	ent of Commerce 36,028,031 33	5 905 893
01.	Biotechnology Center 7,864,	

1 2 3 4	03. 04.	MCNC 19,765,000 19,765,000 Rural Economic Development Center 1,370,000 1,370,000	
5	Departm	ent of Revenue	59,706,976 59,602,150
7 8	Departm	ent of Cultural Resources	44,125,706 45,025,630
9	Departm	ent of Crime Control	
10	-	lic Safety	0 0
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12 13	Office of	f the State Controller	8,718,487 8,727,680
14	Universi	ty of North Carolina - Board	
15	of Gove	rnors	
16	01.	General Administration 17,782,792 17,962,204	
17	02.	University Institutional	
18		Programs 6,768,790 6,768,790	
19	03.	Related Educational Programs 52,679,326 53,446,5	71
20	04.	University of North Carolina	
21		at Chapel Hill	
22		a. Academic Affairs 153,219,631 156,062,801	
23		b. Health Affairs 124,078,391 125,853,313	
24		c. Area Health Education	
25		Centers 35,991,051 35,978,072	
26	05.	North Carolina State University	
27		at Raleigh	
28		a. Academic Affairs 194,715,829 199,027,552	
29		b. Agricultural Research Service 39,457,498 39	
30		c. Cooperative Extension Service 30,881,128 30	0,893,309
31	06.	University of North Carolina at	
32		Greensboro 59,151,286 59,581,696	
33	07.	University of North Carolina at	
34		Charlotte 67,170,862 67,941,217	
35	08.	University of North Carolina at	
36		Asheville 19,133,606 19,420,856	
37	09.	University of North Carolina at	
38		Wilmington 37,351,229 38,017,539	
39	10.	East Carolina University	
40		a. Academic Affairs 84,176,815 84,821,204	
41		b. Division of Health Affairs 39,848,279 39,894,9	10
42	11.	North Carolina Agricultural and	
43		Technical State University 48,700,804 49,156,4	75

12. Western Carolina University 40,971,740 41,243,952 1 2 13. Appalachian State University 57,890,563 58,394,268 3 14. Pembroke State University 18,201,864 18,287,430 4 15. Winston-Salem State University 18,817,355 19,032,586 5 16. Elizabeth City State 6 University 18,290,299 18,370,727 7 17. Fayetteville State University 23,135,861 23,320,254 8 18. North Carolina Central 9 University 33,308,525 33,650,966 10 19. North Carolina School of the Arts 10,167,027 10,352,392 11 12 20. North Carolina School of 13 Science and Mathematics 8,589,705 8,769,269 14 21. UNC Hospitals at Chapel Hill 44,627,960 44,627,960 15 Total University of North Carolina - Board of Governors 16 1,285,108,216 1,300,090,017 17 18 Department of Community Colleges 436,359,167 436,988,159 19 20 State Board of Elections 835,456 835,673 21 22 Contingency and Emergency 1,125,000 1,125,000 23 24 Reserve for Compensation Increase 2,000,000 2,000,000 25 1,000,000 1,500,000 26 Reserve for Salary Adjustments 27 28 Fixed Period for Amortization 29 and Other Retirement Changes (6,084,400) (6,084,400)30 31 **Debt Service** 116,805,051 115,113,536 32 33 GRAND TOTAL CURRENT OPERATIONS -34 **GENERAL FUND** \$9,525,958,781 \$9,774,057,470 35 PART 3. CURRENT OPERATIONS/HIGHWAY FUND 36 37 38 Appropriations from the Highway Fund of the State for the Sec. 3. 39 maintenance and operation of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes as enumerated, are made for the biennium ending June 30, 1997, according to the 40 following schedule: 41 42 43 Current Operations - Highway Fund 1995-96 1996-97

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2	Departm	ent of Transportation	
3	01.	Administration \$36,479,381 \$36,663,220	
4	02.	Division of Highways	
5		a. Administration and	
6		Operations 35,978,558 36,044,682	
7		b. State Construction	
8		(01) Secondary Construction 73,900,000 75,563,941	
9		(02) Urban Construction 28,000,000 28,000,000	
10		(03) Access and Public	
11		Service Roads	2,000,000 2,000,000
12		(04) Spot Safety Improvements 9,100,000 9,100,00	00
13		c. State Funds to Match Federal	
14		Highway Aid	
15		(01) Construction 33,153,153 33,153,153	
16		(02) Highway Planning/	
17		Research	2,959,649 2,959,649
18		d. State Maintenance	
19		(01) Primary 106,146,405 106,146,405	
20		(02) Secondary 185,554,790 185,554,790	
21		(03) Urban 30,764,757 30,764,757	
22		(04) Contract Resurfacing 89,127,392 89,127,392	
23		e. Ferry Operations 17,947,994 17,947,994	
24	03.	Division of Motor Vehicles 81,572,443 79,937,436	
25	04.	Governor's Highway Safety Program 302,968 303,237	
26	05.	State Aid to Municipalities 73,900,000 75,563,941	
27	06.	State Aid for Public	
28	^ -	Transportation 10,246,921 10,246,921	
29	07.	State Aid for Railroads 800,000 800,000	
30	08.	Reserve for Salary Adjustments 200,000 200,000	
31	09.	Reserve for OSHA Deficiencies 425,000 425,000	
32	10.	Reserve for Increase in Travel	
33	1.1	Reimbursement Rate 200,000 200,000	
34	11.	Reserve for Asphalt	
35	10	Plant Cleanup 1,000,000 1,000,000	
36	12.	Reserve for Global	
37	1.0	Transpark Authority 750,000 750,000	
38	13.	Reserves for Employee Benefits	
39		a. Change in amortization period (201,451) (201,451	1)
40		b. Disability Income Plan	
41		increase 154,963 154,963	
42		c. Fixed Period for Amortization and Other Retirement Changes (154 963) (154 963)	
43		and Cliner Reprement Changes(154 963) (154 963)	

1	14.	Transfer to Highway Trust Fund 12,100,000 32,300,000		
2	15.	Debt Service 25,133,780 4,978,215		
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4	Appropriations to Other State Agencies			
5	01.	Crime Control and Public		
6		Safety 104,040,927 105,438,322		
7	02.	Other Agencies		
8		a. Department of Agriculture 3,025,401 3,162,344		
9		b. Department of Revenue 2,268,383 2,270,054		
10		c. Department of Environment,		
11		Health, and Natural Resources:		
12		LUST Trust Fund 6,119,216 6,162,602		
13		Chemical Test Program 391,903 391,903		
14		d. Department of Public		
15		Instruction 21,188,826 21,188,826		
16		e. Department of State		
17		Treasurer 11,130,000 11,853,450		
18				
19		TOTAL CURRENT OPERATIONS –		
20	HIGHWA	AY FUND \$1,005,706,396 \$1,009,996,783		
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22	PART 4.	HIGHWAY TRUST FUND		
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24		Sec. 4. Appropriations from the Highway Trust Fund are made for the fisca		
25	biennium	ending June 30, 1997, according to the following schedule:		
26				
27	<u>Highway</u>	<u>Trust Fund</u> <u>1995-96</u> <u>1996-97</u>		
28				
29	01.	Intrastate System\$295,184,649 \$319,382,722		
30	02.	Secondary Roads Construction 61,918,898 64,954,983		
31	03.	Urban Loops 119,360,379 129,145,071		
32	04.	State Aid - Municipalities 30,971,755 33,510,697		
33	05.	Program Administration 20,996,319 21,852,527		
34	06.	Transfer to General Fund 170,000,000 170,000,000		
35	GD 137D			
36	GRAND	TOTAL/HIGHWAY TRUST FUND \$698,432,000 \$738,846,000		
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38	PART			
39	STATEN	MENTS/RESERVE FOR REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS		
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41		d by: Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue		
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1	1 1	Sec. 5. The General Fund and availability used in developing the 1995-97
2	budge	t is as shown below:
3		(1) Composition of the 1995-97 beginning availability:
4		a. Revenue collections in 1994-95 in
5		excess of authorized estimates \$192.00
6		b. Unexpended appropriations
7		during 1994-95 (reversions) 162.40
8		c. Balance brought forward 33.40
9		Subtotal 387.80
10		d. Transfer to Savings Reserve 96.90
11		e. Transfer to Reserve
12		for Repair and
13		Renovations 125.00
14		Ending Fund Balance \$ 165.9
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17	(-)	<u>1995-96</u> <u>1996-97</u>
18	(2)	Beginning Unrestricted
19		Fund Balance \$ 165.9 \$ -
20	(2)	
21	(3)	Revenues Based on Existing Tax
22		Structure 10,019.6 10,658.1
23	(4)	04.05 D C T
24	(4)	94-95 Reserve for Tax
25	<i>C</i> 1	Reductions 28.1 -
26	Chang	ges:
27	1	Toy Daductions
28	1.	Tax Reductions
29		(a) Personal Income -235.0 -244.1
30	2.	(b) Intangibles Repeal -124.4-124.5 Local Sales Tax -
31 32	2.	Local Government Commission 1.5 1.5
33	3.	Insurance Regulatory Charges 4.7 3.9
34	3. 4.	Treasurer's Banking Fees77
35	4 . 5.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
36	3.	Disproportionate Share Receipts 106.9 117.7
37	6.	Investment Income Electronic
38	0.	Fund Transfers 2.0 2.0
39		Availability \$9,968.6 \$10,413.9
40		Availability \$7,700.0 \$10,413.7
40	Reque	ested by: Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue
41	_	IWAY FUND AVAILABILITY
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Sec. 5.1. The Highway Fund appropriations availability used in developing the 1995-97 Highway Fund budget is shown below:

(\$ Million) (\$ Million)

4 <u>1995-96</u> <u>1996-97</u>

Beginning Credit Balance \$ 19,382,000 \$ Estimated Revenue 1,023,228,000 1,046,316,000

Reversions:

Financial System Funds 1,300,000 Ferry Credit Balance 200,000 Capital Improvements 4,112,266

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Total Highway Fund Availability

\$1,048,222,266

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Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

REPAIRS RESERVE ACCOUNT CHANGES

Sec. 5.2. (a) G.S. 143-15.2 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143-15.2. Use of General Fund credit balance.

The State Controller shall reserve up to one-fourth of any unreserved credit balance, as determined on a cash basis, remaining in the General Fund at the end of each fiscal year to the Savings Reserve Account as provided in G.S. 143-15.3, unless that would result in the Savings Reserve Account having funds in excess of five percent (5%) of the amount appropriated the preceding year for the General Fund operating budget, including local government tax-sharing funds; in that case, only funds sufficient to reach the five percent (5%) level shall be reserved. The State Controller shall also reserve the lesser greater of (i) one-fourth of any unreserved credit balance, as determined on a cash basis, remaining in the General Fund and (ii) one and one-half percent (1.5%) three percent (3%) of the replacement value of all State buildings supported from the General Fund, at the end of each fiscal year to the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account as provided in G.S. 143-15.3A. The General Assembly may appropriate that part of the anticipated General Fund credit balance not expected to be reserved to the Savings Reserve Account or the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account only for capital improvements or other one-time expenditures. As used in this section, the term 'unreserved credit balance' means the credit balance amount, as determined on a cash basis, before funds are reserved by the Controller to the Savings Reserve Account or the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account pursuant to G.S. 143-15.3 and G.S. 143-15.3A."

(b) G.S. 143-15.3A reads as rewritten:

"§ 143-15.3A. Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account.

(a) There is established a Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account as a restricted reserve in the General Fund. The State Controller shall reserve to the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account the greater of (i) one-fourth of any unreserved credit balance as determined on a cash basis, remaining in the General Fund and (ii) three percent (3%) of the replacement value of all State buildings supported from the General

- <u>Fund</u>, at the end of each fiscal year. As used in this section, the term 'unreserved credit balance' means the credit balance amount, as determined on a cash basis, before funds are reserved by the Controller to the Savings Reserve Account or the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account pursuant to this section and G.S. 143-15.3.
- (b) The funds in the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account shall be used only for the repair and renovation of State facilities and related infrastructure that are supported from the General Fund. <u>Funds from the Repairs and Renovations Reserve</u> Account shall be used only for the following types of projects:
 - (1) Roof repairs and replacements;
 - (2) Structural repairs;

- (3) Repairs and renovations to meet federal and State standards;
- (4) Repairs to electrical, plumbing, and heating, ventilating, and airconditioning systems;
- (5) Improvements to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., as amended;
- (6) Improvements to meet fire safety needs;
- (7) Improvements to existing facilities for energy efficiency;
- (8) Improvements to remove asbestos, lead paint, and other contaminants, including the removal and replacement of underground storage tanks;
- (9) Improvements and renovations to improve use of existing space;
- (10) Historical restoration;
- (11) Improvements to roads, walks, drives, utilities infrastructure; and
- (12) Drainage and landscape improvements.

Funds from the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account shall not be used for new construction or the expansion of the footprint of an existing facility unless required in order to comply with federal or State codes or standards.

The Director of the Budget shall not use funds in the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account unless the use has been approved by an act of the General Assembly."

(c) This section becomes effective June 30, 1995.

Requested by: Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM RESERVE FOR REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS

Sec. 5.3. Of the funds in the Reserve for Repairs and Renovations for the 1995-96 fiscal year, fifty percent (50%), shall be allocated to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina for repairs and renovations pursuant to G.S.143-15.3A, in accordance with guidelines developed in The University of North Carolina Funding Allocation Model for Reserve for Repairs and Renovations, as approved by the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina; and fifty percent (50%) shall be allocated to the Office of State Budget and Management for repairs and renovations pursuant to G.S. 143-15.3A.

Notwithstanding G.S. 143-15.3A, the Board of Governors may allocate funds for the repair and renovation of facilities not supported from the General Fund if the

Board determines that sufficient funds are not available from other sources and that conditions warrant General Fund assistance. Any such finding shall be included in the Board's submission to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on the proposed allocation of funds.

The Board of Governors and the Office of State Budget and Management shall submit to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division of the Legislative Services Office, for their review, the proposed allocation of these funds. Subsequent changes in the proposed allocations shall be reported prior to expenditure to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division of the Legislative Services Office.

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PART 6. GENERAL PROVISIONS

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Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

SPECIAL FUNDS, FEDERAL FUNDS, AND DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS/AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURES

Sec. 6.1. There is appropriated out of the cash balances, federal receipts, and departmental receipts available to each department, sufficient amounts to carry on authorized activities included under each department's operations. All these cash balances, federal receipts, and departmental receipts shall be expended and reported in accordance with provisions of the Executive Budget Act, except as otherwise provided by statute, and shall be expended at the level of service authorized by the General Assembly. If the receipts, other than gifts and grants that are unanticipated and are for a specific purpose only, collected in a fiscal year by an institution, department, or agency exceed the receipts certified for it in General Fund Codes or Highway Fund Codes, then the Director of the Budget shall decrease the amount he allots to that institution, department, or agency from appropriations from that Fund by the amount of the excess, unless the Director of the Budget finds that the appropriations from the Fund are necessary to maintain the function that generated the receipts at the level anticipated in the certified Budget Codes for that Fund. Funds that become available from overrealized receipts in General Fund Codes and Highway Fund Codes, other than gifts and grants that are unanticipated and are for a specific purpose only, shall not be used for new permanent employee positions or to raise the salary of existing employees except:

- (1) As provided in G.S. 116-30.1, 116-30.2, 116-30.3, 116-30.4, or 143-27; or
- (2) If the Director of the Budget finds that the new permanent employee positions are necessary to maintain the function that generated the receipts at the level anticipated in the certified budget codes for that Fund. The Director of the Budget shall notify the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the chairmen of the appropriations committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and the Fiscal Research Division of the Legislative

Services Office that he intends to make such a finding at least 10 days before he makes the finding. The notification shall set out the reason the positions are necessary to maintain the function.

The Office of State Budget and Management shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division of the Legislative Services Office within 30 days after the end of each quarter the General Fund Codes or Highway Fund Codes that did not result in a corresponding reduced allotment from appropriations from that Fund.

The Director of the Budget shall develop necessary budget controls, regulations, and systems to ensure that these funds and other State funds subject to the Executive Budget Act, are not spent in a manner which would cause a deficit in expenditures.

Pursuant to G.S. 143-34.2, State departments, agencies, institutions, boards, or commissions may make application for, receive, or disburse any form of non-State aid. All non-State monies received shall be deposited with the State Treasurer unless otherwise provided by State law. These funds shall be expended in accordance with the terms and conditions of the fund award that are not contrary to the laws of North Carolina.

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Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

INSURANCE AND FIDELITY BONDS

Sec. 6.2. All insurance and all official fidelity and surety bonds authorized for the several departments, institutions, and agencies shall be effected and placed by the Insurance Department, and the cost of placement shall be paid by the affected department, institution, or agency with the approval of the Insurance Commissioner.

Requested by: Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

CONTINGENCY AND EMERGENCY FUND ALLOCATION

Sec. 6.3. Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Contingency and Emergency Fund, the sum of nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year shall be designated for emergency allocations, which are for the purposes outlined in G.S. 143-23(a1)(3), (4), and (5). Two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$225,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$225,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year shall be designated for other allocations from the Contingency and Emergency Fund.

Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

AUTHORIZED TRANSFERS

Sec. 6.4. The Director of the Budget may transfer to General Fund budget codes from the General Fund salary adjustment appropriation, and may transfer to

Highway Fund budget codes from the Highway Fund salary adjustment appropriation, amounts required to support approved salary adjustments made necessary by difficulties in recruiting and holding qualified employees in State government. The funds may be transferred only when the use of salary reserve funds in individual operating budgets is not feasible.

Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS IN RESERVES LIMITED

Sec. 6.5. All funds appropriated by this act into reserves may be expended only for the purposes for which the reserves were established.

Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators, Odom, Plyler, Perdue

STATE MONEY RECIPIENTS/CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

Sec. 6.6. Each private, nonprofit entity eligible to receive State funds, either by General Assembly appropriation, or by grant, loan, or other allocation from a State agency, before funds may be disbursed to the entity, shall file with the disbursing agency a notarized copy of that entity's policy addressing conflicts of interest that may arise involving the entity's management employees and the members of its board of directors or other governing body. The policy shall address situations where any of these individuals may directly or indirectly benefit, except as the entity's employees or members of the board or other governing body, from the entity's disbursing of State funds, and shall include actions to be taken by the entity or the individual, or both, to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of impropriety.

Requested by: Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

DISPOSITION OF DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE RECEIPTS

Sec. 6.8. For the 1995-97 fiscal biennium, as it receives funds associated with Disproportionate Share Payments from the State psychiatric hospitals, the Division of Medical Assistance shall deposit funds appropriated for the Medicaid program in a sum equal to the federal share of the Disproportionate Share Payments as nontax revenue. Any of these funds that are not appropriated by the General Assembly shall be reserved by the State Controller for future appropriation.

PART 7. SALARIES AND BENEFITS

Requested by: Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

SALARY RELATED CONTRIBUTIONS/EMPLOYERS

Sec. 7.1. (a) Required employer salary-related contributions for employees whose salaries are paid from department, office, institution, or agency receipts shall be paid from the same source as the source of the employees' salaries. If an employee's salary is paid in part from the General Fund or Highway Fund and in part from department, office,

institution, or agency receipts, required employer salary-related contributions may be paid from the General Fund or Highway Fund only to the extent of the proportionate part paid from the General Fund or Highway Fund in support of the salary of the employee, and the remainder of the employer's requirements shall be paid from the source that supplies the remainder of the employee's salary. The requirements of this section as to source of payment are also applicable to payments on behalf of the employee for hospital-medical benefits, longevity pay, unemployment compensation, accumulated leave, workers' compensation, severance pay, separation allowances, and applicable disability income and disability salary continuation benefits.

- (b) Effective July 1, 1995, the State's employer contribution rates budgeted for retirement and related benefits as a percentage of covered salaries for the 1995-96 fiscal year are (i) ten and eighty-three hundredths percent (10.83%) Teachers and State Employees; (ii) fifteen and eighty-three hundredths percent (15.83%) State Law Enforcement Officers; (iii) nine and ten hundredths percent (9.10%) University Employees' Optional Retirement Program; (iv) twenty-two and sixty-five hundredths percent (22.65%) Consolidated Judicial Retirement System; and (v) twenty-three and twenty-seven hundredths percent (23.27%) Legislative Retirement System. Each of the foregoing contribution rates includes two percent (2%) for hospital and medical benefits. The rate for State Law Enforcement Officers includes five percent (5%) for the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan. The rates for Teachers and State Employees, State Law Enforcement Officers, and for the University Employees' Optional Retirement Program includes fifty-two hundredths percent (0.52%) for the Disability Income Plan.
- (c) The General Assembly authorizes the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System to adopt a fixed amortization period of nine years for purposes of the unfunded accrued liability for the Retirement System.
- (d) The maximum annual employer contributions, payable monthly, by the State for each covered employee or retiree for the 1995-96 fiscal year and for the 1996-97 fiscal year to the Teachers' and State Employees' Comprehensive Major Medical Plan are: (i) Medicare-eligible employees and retirees one thousand three hundred twenty-one dollars (\$1,321); and (ii) Non-Medicare-eligible employees and retirees one thousand seven hundred thirty-six dollars (\$1,736).

PART 8. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Requested by: Senator Warren

CONFIDENTIALITY OF REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE PREPARATION OF FISCAL NOTES

Sec. 8.1. (a) Article 17 of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 120-131.1. Requests from legislative employees for assistance in the preparation of fiscal notes.

(a) A request made to an employee of a State agency other than the General Assembly by an employee of the Fiscal Research Division for assistance in the

- preparation of a fiscal note is confidential. An employee of a State agency other than the 1 2 General Assembly who receives such a request or who learns of such a request made to 3 another employee of his or her agency shall reveal the existence of the request only to 4 other employees of the agency to the extent that it is necessary to respond to the request, 5 and to the employee's supervisor and to the Office of State Budget and Management. All 6 documents prepared by the employee in response to the request of the Fiscal Research Division are also confidential and shall be kept confidential in the same manner as the 7 8 original request.
 - (b) As used in this section, 'employee' means an employee or officer of a State agency.
 - (c) <u>Violation of this section may be grounds for disciplinary action.</u>"
 - (b) This section becomes effective 30 days after ratification.

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Requested by: Senator Warren

LRC STUDY CIVILIANIZATION

Sec. 8.3. The Legislative Research Commission may study issues related to civilianizing certain State government law enforcement functions and positions, including the appropriate use of nonsworn, noncertified personnel in positions for which sworn status is not cost-effective or required. This study shall include the recommendations made by the Government Performance Audit Committee on civilianization to the 1993 General Assembly.

The Legislative Research Commission may make an interim report, including any legislative recommendations, to the 1995 General Assembly, Regular Session 1996, and shall make a final report, including any legislative recommendations, to the 1997 General Assembly.

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PART 9. OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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31 32 Requested by: Representatives Ives, Lemmond, Senators Cochrane, Davis, Gulley

ELIMINATION OF THE OMBUDSMAN OFFICE IN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Sec. 9.2. The Office of Ombudsman in the Office of the Governor is abolished. No appropriated State funds shall be used to reestablish this office.

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Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

HOME PROGRAM MATCHING FUNDS

- Sec. 9.3. (a) Funds appropriated in this act to the Housing Finance Agency for the federal HOME Program shall be used to match federal funds appropriated for the HOME Program. In allocating State funds appropriated to match federal HOME Program funds, the Agency shall give priority to HOME Program projects, as follows:
 - (1) First priority to projects that are located in counties designated as severely distressed counties under G.S. 105-130.40(c) or G.S. 105-151.17(c); and

(2) Second priority to projects that benefit persons and families whose incomes are fifty percent (50%) or less of the median family income for the local area, with adjustments for family size, according to the latest figures available from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Housing Finance Agency shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations by April 1 of each year concerning the status of the HOME Program and shall include in the report information on priorities met, types of activities funded, and types of activities not funded.

(b) If the United States Congress changes the HOME Program such that matching funds are not required for a given program year, then the Agency shall not spend the matching funds appropriated under this act for that program year.

 (c) Funds appropriated in this act to match federal HOME Program funds shall not revert to the General Fund on June 30, 1996, or on June 30, 1997.

Requested by: Senator Warren

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT FUNDS

Sec. 9.4. (a) Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Office of State Planning, seven hundred seventy-seven thousand eight hundred forty-three dollars (\$777,843) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and seven hundred seventy-seven thousand eight hundred forty-three dollars (\$777,843) for the 1996-97 fiscal year shall only be used as provided by this section. Each regional council of government or lead regional organization is allocated up to forty-three thousand two hundred thirteen dollars and fifty cents (\$43,213.50) for each fiscal year, with the actual amount calculated as provided in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The funds shall be allocated as follows: A share of the maximum forty-three thousand two hundred thirteen dollars and fifty cents (\$43,213.50) each fiscal year shall be allocated to each county and smaller city based on the most recent annual estimate of the Office of State Budget and Management of the population of that county (less the population of any larger city within that county) or smaller city, divided by the sum of the total population of the region (less the population of larger cities within that region) and the total population of the region living in smaller cities. Those funds shall be paid to the regional council of government for the region in which that city or county is located upon receipt by the Office of State Planning of a resolution of the governing board of the county or city requesting release of the funds. If any city or county does not so request payment of funds by June 30 of a State fiscal year, that share of the allocation for that fiscal year shall revert to the General Fund.

(c) A regional council of government may use funds appropriated by this section only to assist local governments in grant applications, economic development, community development, support of local industrial development activities, and other activities as deemed appropriate by the member governments.

- (d) Funds appropriated by this section may not be used for payment of dues or assessments by the member governments, and may not supplant funds appropriated by the member governments.
- (e) As used in this section "Larger City" means an incorporated city with a population of 50,000 or over. "Smaller City" means any other incorporated city.

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PART 10. OFFICE OF STATE BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT

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LINE ITEM BUDGETING CONTINUED

Sec. 10. (a) G.S. 143-11 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143-11. Survey of departments.

On or before the fifteenth day of December, biennially in the even-numbered years, the Director shall make a complete, careful survey of the operation and management of all the departments, bureaus, divisions, officers, boards, commissions, institutions, and agencies and undertakings of the State and all persons or corporations who use or expend State funds, in the interest of economy and efficiency, and of obtaining a working knowledge upon which to base recommendations to the General Assembly as to appropriations for maintenance and special funds and capital expenditures for the succeeding biennium. If the Director and the Commission shall agree in their recommendations for the budget for the next biennial period, he shall prepare their report in the form of a proposed budget, together with such comment and recommendations as they may deem proper to make. If the Director and Commission shall not agree in substantial particulars, the Director shall prepare the proposed budget based on his own conclusions and judgment, and the Commission or any of its members retain the right to submit separately to the General Assembly such statement of disagreement and the particulars thereof as representing their views. The budget report shall contain a complete and itemized plan in accordance with G.S. 143-10.3, 143-10.4, and 143-10.5 of all proposed expenditures for each State department, bureau, board, division, institution, commission, State agency or undertaking, person or corporation who receives or may receive for use and expenditure any State funds, in accordance with the classification of funds and accounts adopted by the State Controller, and of the estimated revenues and borrowings for each year in the ensuing biennial period beginning with the first day of July thereafter. Opposite each line item of the proposed expenditures, the budget shall show in separate parallel columns the amount expended for the last preceding fiscal year, for the current fiscal year, and the increase or decrease. columns:

- (1) Proposed expenditures and receipts for each fiscal year of the biennium;
- (2) The certified budget for the preceding fiscal year;
- The currently authorized budget for the preceding fiscal year;
- (4) Actual expenditures and receipts for the most recent fiscal year for which actual expenditure information is available; and
 - (5) <u>Proposed increases and decreases.</u>

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Revenue and expenditure information shall be no less specific than the two-digit level in the State Accounting System Chart of Accounts as prescribed by the State Controller. The budget shall clearly differentiate between general fund expenditures for operating and maintenance, special fund expenditures for any purpose, and proposed capital improvements.

The Director shall accompany the budget with:

- (1) A budget message supporting his recommendations and outlining a financial policy and program for the ensuing biennium. The message will include an explanation of increase or decrease over past expenditures, a discussion of proposed changes in existing revenue laws and proposed bond issues, their purpose, the amount, rate of interest, term, the requirements to be attached to their issuance and the effect such issues will have upon the redemption and annual interest charges of the State debt.
- (2) State Controller reports including:
 - a. An itemized and complete financial statement for the State at the close of the last preceding fiscal year ending June 30.
 - b. A statement of special funds.
- (2a) A statement showing the itemized estimates of the condition of the State treasury as of the beginning and end of each of the next two fiscal years.
- (3) A report on the fees charged by each State department, bureau, division, board, commission, institution, and agency during the previous fiscal year, the statutory or regulatory authority for each fee, the amount of the fee, when the amount of the fee was last changed, the number of times the fee was collected during the prior fiscal year, and the total receipts from the fee during the prior fiscal year.
- (4) A statement showing the State Board of Education's request, in accordance with G.S. 115C-96, for sufficient funds to provide textbooks to public school students.
- (5) A proposal for expenditure of the funds in the Repairs and Renovations Reserve Account, which is established in G.S. 143-15.3A. The Director shall consider the data from the Facilities Condition and Assessment Program in the Office of State Construction when establishing priorities for the proposed expenditure of these funds.
- (6) Statements of the objections of members of the Council of State received pursuant to G.S. 143-10.3(b) to the performance measures, departmental operations plans, and indicators of program impact prepared in accordance with G.S. 143-10.3, 143-10.4, and 143-10.5.
- (7) A list of the budget requests of members of the Council of State that are not included in the proposed budget.

It shall be a compliance with this section by each incoming Governor, at the first session of the General Assembly in his term, to submit the budget report with the message of the outgoing Governor, if he shall deem it proper to prepare such message,

together with any comments or recommendations thereon that he may see fit to make, either at the time of the submission of the said report to the General Assembly, or at such other time, or times, as he may elect and fix.

The function of the Advisory Budget Commission under this section applies only if the Director of the Budget consults with the Commission in preparation of the budget."

(b) The Director of the Budget developed a plan for preparing the 1995-97 fiscal biennium budget in a performance budget format. That performance budget covers the program areas of health and safety, environment, correction, justice, social and economic well-being, and economic development and commerce. The performance budget format for those areas shall be continued, but the performance budget format shall not be expanded to cover any additional areas.

The Office of State Budget and Management shall report to the 1995 General Assembly, 1996 Regular Session, regarding the effectiveness of performance budgeting and shall also recommend whether performance budgeting should be continued, and if continued, any modifications that should be made to performance budgeting.

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Requested by: Senator Warren

ANALYSIS OF STATE GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATIVE SPAN OF CONTROL

Sec. 10.1. The Office of State Budget and Management may review and analyze the administrative span of control, or the ratio of supervisors to those supervised, exercised throughout State government, except for the Community College System and The University of North Carolina, to determine the average span of control, and to determine what the appropriate average should be. In this review, the Office of State Budget and Management shall consider the study produced for the 1993 General Assembly by the Government Performance Audit Committee on the issue of administrative span of control.

The Office of State Budget and Management shall report the results of this review, together with any recommendations, to the 1995 General Assembly, Regular Session 1996, within one week of its convening.

 Requested by: Representatives Ives, Lemmond, Senator Warren

REVIEW OF DEPARTMENT FORMS AND REPORTS

Sec. 10.2. Article 1 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, the Executive Budget Act, is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 143-10.7. Review of department forms and reports.

The Director, through the Office of State Budget and Management, shall review on three-year cycles all internal and external forms and reports in use by State departments and institutions to confirm whether these forms and reports continue to be needed. If, during the review process, it is determined that these forms and reports are no longer necessary, or that they duplicate other forms or reports either in whole or in part, the Director shall have these forms and reports modified or eliminated. All departments shall

provide the Director with copies of all forms and reports used, together with any additional information necessary for the review of these reports."

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Requested by: Senator Warren

WORKERS' COMPENSATION COST CONTAINMENT PROGRAM/STUDY

Sec. 10.3. The Office of State Budget and Management shall develop a plan for a workers' compensation cost containment program designed to reduce the cost to State government of workers' compensation claims filed by State employees. The Office of State Budget and Management shall consult with the Office of State Personnel in developing the plan. The plan shall include recommendations regarding all of the following: an appropriate process of competitive bidding, the feasibility of having a thirdparty administrator to manage claims processing, the services that would be provided by a third-party administrator including the determination of compensability and related questions, incident reporting analysis, incident investigation, medical case management, disability management, and information management. The plan shall also include recommendations regarding the reimbursement of a third-party administrator. The plan shall further be based on the premise that lapsed salary funds from the salary accounts of State agencies shall not be used for the purpose of paying workers' compensation claims of employees of the participating agencies.

On or before April 1, 1996, the Office of State Budget and Management shall submit the plan to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Fiscal Research Division.

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Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

OSBM STUDY STATE-OWNED AIRCRAFT

Sec. 10.4. The Office of State Budget and Management shall study the use of State-owned aircraft and shall report the results of its study to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on or before April 1, 1996. The study shall include consideration of the following:

- (1) For each Department, the number and type of aircraft, the number of pilots, and the number and type of support personnel for aircraft.
- (2) For each Department, the budget for aircraft, the source of funding for aircraft, the number of hours the aircraft is available, and the number of hours the aircraft is used.
- (3) The feasibility and desirability of consolidating any or all State-owned aircraft operations.
- (4) The feasibility and desirability of sharing of aircraft by Departments.
- (5) The feasibility and desirability of Departments' contracting for aircraft services rather than owning their own aircraft.
- (6) Compilation and review of Departments' policies regarding authorized passengers on the aircraft and which Departmental personnel is responsible for determining which passengers are authorized.

42 43 Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senator Warren

DOWNSIZING GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES REPORT

- Sec. 10.5. (a) The Office of State Budget and Management shall report any direct and any indirect expenditures incurred since July 1, 1994, that are related to the downsizing of State government to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations by September 30, 1995.
- (b) Expenditures reported on shall include payment for accumulated leave, severance pay, moving expenses for employment at another State government agency, and expenses or referral services performed by the Office of State Personnel and the Employment Security Commission.
- (c) In addition to the report required by subsection (a) of this section, the Office of State Budget and Management shall present to the 1995 General Assembly by May 1, 1996, documentation of all expenditures defined in subsections (a) and (b) of this section and identification of the funding sources in both the 1994-95 fiscal year and the 1995-96 fiscal year for all these expenditures.

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PART 11. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Requested by: Representatives Ives, Lemmond, Senator Warren

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS

Sec. 11. All grantees receiving Domestic Violence grants from the Department of Administration shall meet the financial statement filing requirements of G.S. 143-6.1, regardless of the amount of their grants.

Requested by: Representatives Ives, Lemmond, Senator Warren

TRANSFER EXECUTIVE MANSION CURATOR FROM DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES

Sec. 11.1. The position of Executive Mansion Curator (position number 4129-0101-0006-125) is transferred from the Department of Administration to the Department of Cultural Resources. This transfer will permit the Department of Cultural Resources to better maintain the historical personal properties of the Executive Mansion. This provision does not affect, in any way, the jurisdiction of the Department of Administration over the Executive Mansion and its grounds.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

STUDY OF REPLACEMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Sec. 11.3. The Department of Administration may study the obsolescence and replacement of motor vehicles, including those used by law enforcement agencies, to determine the optimal replacement time. The replacement time shall be stated as optimal mileage or cost of operating the vehicle. The study shall include a review of industry standards when determining optimal replacement time. The Department shall include safety and efficiency of motor vehicle operations as an integral part of the study. The Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative

Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division by March 1, 1996.

Requested by: Senator Warren

PARKING REVENUES

Sec. 11.4. The Secretary of Administration may use funds from parking revenues that are in excess of parking system expense requirements to fund the ten dollars (\$10.00) per month subsidies for van pools and transit passes.

PART 12. DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES

Requested by: Representatives Lemmond, Ives, Senator Warren

REVIEW PLANS FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES REQUESTING STATE FUNDS

Sec. 12. G.S. 121-12 reads as rewritten:

"§ 121-12. North Carolina Historical Commission.

(a) Protection of Properties on National Register. – It shall be the duty of the Historical Commission, meeting at such times and according to such procedures as it shall by rule prescribe, to provide an advisory and coordinative mechanism in and by which State undertakings of every kind that are potentially harmful to the cause of historic preservation within the State may be discussed, and where possible, resolved, giving due consideration to the competing public interests that may be involved. To this end, the head of any State agency having direct or indirect jurisdiction over a proposed State or state-assisted undertaking, or the head of any State department, board, commission, or independent agency having authority to build, construct, operate, license, authorize, assist, or approve any State or state-assisted undertaking, shall, prior to the approval of any State funds for the undertaking, or prior to any approval, license, or authorization, as the case may be, take into account the effect of the undertaking on any district, site, building, structure, or object that is listed in the National Register of Historic Places established pursuant to Public Law 89-665, 16 U.S.C. 470.

Where, in the judgment of the Commission, an undertaking will have an effect upon any listed district, site, building, structure, area, or object, the head of the appropriate State agency shall afford the Commission a reasonable opportunity to comment with regard to such undertaking.

The Historical Commission shall act with reasonable diligence to insure that all State departments, boards, commissions, or agencies potentially affected by the provisions of this section be kept currently informed with respect to the name, location, and other significant particulars of any district, site, building, structure, or object listed or placed upon the National Register of Historic Places. Each affected State department or agency shall furnish, either upon its own initiative or at the request of the Historical Commission such information as may reasonably be required by the Commission for the proper implementation of this section.

(b) Criteria for State Historic Properties. – The Commission shall prepare and adopt criteria for the evaluation of State historic sites and all other real and personal

- property which it may consider to be of such historic, architectural, archaeological, or cultural importance as would justify the acquisition and ownership thereof by the State of North Carolina, or for the extension of any assistance or aid thereto by the State, acting by itself or in connection with any county, city, corporation, organization, or individual. The Commission shall cooperate to the fullest practical extent with any local historical organization and with any city or county historic district properties commission. In evaluating whether a building should be a State historic site, the Commission shall request and review plans for the use and maintenance of the building.
- (c) Criteria for State Aid to Historic Properties. The Commission shall also prepare and adopt criteria for the evaluation of all properties of historic or archaeological importance owned by, under option to, or being considered for acquisition by a county, city, historic properties commission, or other organization or individual for which State aid or assistance is requested from the Department of Cultural Resources. The Commission shall investigate, evaluate, and prepare a written report on all historic or archaeological property for which State aid or appropriations to be administered by the Department of Cultural Resources are proposed. If the property is a building, the Commission shall request and review the plans for the use, maintenance, operation, and purpose of the building and shall comment on the feasibility of the plans in the written report. This report, which shall be filed as a matter of record in the custody of the Department of Cultural Resources, shall set forth the following opinions or recommendations of the Commission:
 - (1) Whether the property is historically authentic;
 - (2) Whether it is of such educational, historical, or cultural significance as to be essential to the development of a balanced State program of historic and archaeological sites and properties;
 - (3) The estimated total cost of the project under consideration and the apportionment of said cost among State and nonstate sources;
 - (4) Whether practical plans have been or can be developed for the funding of the nonstate portion of the costs;
 - (5) Whether practical plans have been developed for the continued staffing, maintenance and operation of the property without State assistance;
 - Such further comments and recommendations that the Commission may make.
- (c1) Criteria for State Aid to Historical Museums. The Commission shall also prepare and adopt criteria for the evaluation of all interpretive, security or climate control programs or projects to be installed in nonprofit history museums for which State aid or assistance is requested from the Department of Cultural Resources. The Commission shall investigate, evaluate, and prepare a written report on all interpretive, security, or climate control programs or projects for which State appropriations to be administered by the Department of Cultural Resources are proposed. This report, which shall be filed as a matter of record in the custody of the Department of Cultural Resources, shall set forth the following opinions or recommendations of the Commission:
 - (1) The statewide educational significance and the

- qualitative level of the program or project and whether the program or project is essential to the development of a State program of historical interpretation;
 - (2) The local or regional need for such a program or project;
 - (3) The estimated total cost of the program or project under consideration and the apportionment of said cost among State and nonstate sources;
 - (4) Whether practical plans have been or can be developed for the funding of the nonstate portions of the costs;
 - (5) Whether practical plans have been developed for the continued staffing, maintenance, and operating of the museum without State assistance; and
 - Such further comments and recommendations that the Commission may make.
 - (d) Commission to Furnish Recommendations to Legislative Committees. The Commission through the Department of Cultural Resources shall furnish as soon as practicable to the chairman of each legislative committee to which is referred any bill seeking an appropriation of State funds to the Department of Cultural Resources for the purpose of acquiring, preserving, restoring, or operating, or otherwise assisting, any property having historic, archaeological, architectural, or other cultural value or significance, and to the chairman of each legislative committee to which is referred any bill seeking an appropriation of State funds to the Department of Cultural Resources for the purpose of assisting a history museum, at least five copies of a report on the findings and recommendations of the Commission relating to such property."

Requested by: Representatives Ives, Lemmond, Senator Warren

REPEAL ART WORKS IN STATE BUILDINGS REQUIREMENT

Sec. 12.2. Article 47A of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is repealed.

Requested by: Representatives Ives, Lemmond, Senator Warren

NUMBER OF POSITIONS IN DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES REDUCED/REPORT

Sec. 12.3. The Department of Cultural Resources shall identify positions to be eliminated in the Department and shall report those positions by number and title to the Office of State Budget and Management and to the Fiscal Research Division by May 31, 1995.

PART 13. DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Requested by: Senator Warren

UNBUDGETED INSURANCE RECEIPTS REVERT TO GENERAL FUND

Sec. 13. Departmental receipts realized by the Department of Insurance over twenty percent (20%) in excess of amounts budgeted by the General Assembly, as adjusted by the Office of State Budget and Management to reflect the distribution of statewide reserves, shall revert to the General Fund at the end of each fiscal year. The

Department of Insurance shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on a quarterly basis on expenditures incurred from excess receipts.

 Requested by: Senator Warren

ESTABLISH DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE IN-HOUSE LEGAL REPRESENTATION

Sec. 13.1. Notwithstanding G.S. 58-2-215, the Department of Insurance shall use funds within the Department of Insurance Consumer Protection Fund to hire two attorneys and one support staff to develop legal expertise within the Department of Insurance to handle the review and analysis of rate filings, to conduct all hearings, and to handle all rate cases through final adjudication. Pursuant to G.S. 114-2.3, the Department may use outside legal counsel on an interim basis, as necessary, until the transition to inhouse legal representation for rate cases is complete. On or before March 31, 1996, the Department shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly on the implementation of in-house legal representation and on the status of the transition from the use of outside legal counsel.

PART 14. STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Requested by: Representatives Ives, Lemmond, Senator Warren

COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTING BALLOTS

Sec. 14. G.S. 163-136(b)(3) reads as rewritten:

"(3) For all elections, primaries, and referenda not specified in the two preceding subdivisions, by the State Board of Elections, at the expense of the State.

Provided, that the State Board of Elections, in its discretion, may direct some or all counties to print the ballots required by this subdivision under the supervision of the State Board of Elections. If the State Board of Elections prints and distributes the ballots required by this subdivision at the expense of the State, the State Board shall have the authority to negotiate for the ballots to be printed and distributed on a regional or centralized basis, and the State Board shall be exempt from securing competitive bids establish contracts through competition pursuant to Article 3 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes for printing and distribution of all ballots, abstracts and precinct return forms."

PART 15. COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

AID TO STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE COLLEGES PROCEDURE

 Sec. 15. (a) Funds appropriated in this act to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina for aid to private colleges shall be disbursed in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 116-19, 116-21, and 116-22. These funds shall provide up to five hundred fifty dollars (\$550.00) per full-time equivalent North Carolina undergraduate student enrolled at a private institution as of October 1 each year.

These funds shall be placed in a separate, identifiable account in each eligible institution's budget or chart of accounts. All funds in this account shall be provided as scholarship funds for needy North Carolina students during the fiscal year. Each student awarded a scholarship from this account shall be notified of the source of the funds and of the amount of the award. Funds not utilized under G.S. 116-19 shall be for the tuition grant program as defined in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) In addition to any funds appropriated pursuant to G.S. 116-19 and in addition to all other financial assistance made available to private educational institutions located within the State, or to students attending these institutions, there is granted to each full-time North Carolina undergraduate student attending an approved institution as defined in G.S. 116-22, a sum, not to exceed one thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$1,250) per academic year, which shall be distributed to the student as hereinafter provided.

The tuition grants provided for in this section shall be administered by the State Education Assistance Authority pursuant to rules adopted by the State Education Assistance Authority not inconsistent with this section. The State Education Assistance Authority shall not approve any grant until it receives proper certification from an approved institution that the student applying for the grant is an eligible student. Upon receipt of the certification, the State Education Assistance Authority shall remit at such times as it shall prescribe the grant to the approved institution on behalf, and to the credit, of the student.

In the event a student on whose behalf a grant has been paid is not enrolled and carrying a minimum academic load as of the tenth classroom day following the beginning of the school term for which the grant was paid, the institution shall refund the full amount of the grant to the State Education Assistance Authority. Each approved institution shall be subject to examination by the State Auditor for the purpose of determining whether the institution has properly certified eligibility and enrollment of students and credited grants paid on the behalf of the students.

In the event there are not sufficient funds to provide each eligible student with a full grant:

- (1) The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina, with the approval of the Office of State Budget and Management, may transfer available funds to meet the needs of the programs provided by subsections (a) and (b) of this section; and
- (2) Each eligible student shall receive a pro rata share of funds then available for the remainder of the academic year within the fiscal period covered by the current appropriation.

Any remaining funds shall revert to the General Fund.

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Expenditures made pursuant to this section may be used only for secular educational purposes at nonprofit institutions of higher learning.

Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

WAKE FOREST AND DUKE MEDICAL SCHOOL ASSISTANCE/FUNDING **FORMULA**

Sec. 15.1. Funds appropriated in this act to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina for continuation of financial assistance to the medical schools of Duke University and Wake Forest University shall be disbursed on certifications of the respective schools of medicine that show the number of North Carolina residents as first-year, second-year, third-year, and fourth-year students in each medical school as of November 1, 1995, and November 1, 1996. Disbursement to Wake Forest University shall be made in the amount of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) for each medical student who is a North Carolina resident, one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of which shall be placed by the school in a fund to be used to provide financial aid to needy North Carolina students who are enrolled in the medical school. The maximum aid given to any student from this fund in a given year may not exceed the amount of the difference in tuition and academic fees charged by the school and those charged at the School of Medicine at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Disbursement to Duke University shall be made in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each medical student who is a North Carolina resident, five hundred dollars (\$500.00) of which shall be placed by the school in a fund to be used to provide student financial aid to financially needy North Carolina students who are enrolled in the medical school. No individual student may be awarded assistance from this fund in excess of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) each year. In addition to this basic disbursement for each year of the biennium, a disbursement of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) shall be made for each medical student who is a North Carolina resident in the first-year, secondyear, third-year, and fourth-year classes to the extent that enrollment of each of those classes exceeds 30 North Carolina students.

The Board of Governors shall establish the criteria for determining the eligibility for financial aid of needy North Carolina students who are enrolled in the medical schools and shall review the grants or awards to eligible students. The Board of Governors shall adopt rules for determining which students are residents of North Carolina for the purposes of these programs. The Board shall also make any regulations as necessary to ensure that these funds are used directly for instruction in the medical programs of the schools and not for religious or other nonpublic purposes. The Board shall encourage the two schools to orient students towards primary care, consistent with the directives of G.S. 143-613(a). The two schools shall supply information necessary for the Board to comply with G.S. 143-613(d).

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Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

42 AID TO STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE COLLEGES/LEGISLATIVE 43

TUITION GRANT LIMITATIONS

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- The amount of a tuition grant awarded to a student enrolled in a Sec. 15.2. (a) degree program at a site away from the main campus of the approved private institution, as defined in G.S. 116-22(1), shall be no more than the result of the ratio of the cost per credit hour for off-campus instruction at that site to the cost per credit hour for regular, full-time on-campus instruction, multiplied by the maximum grant award, or the maximum grant award allowable under Section 15 of this act, whichever is less.
- No Legislative Tuition Grant funds shall be expended for a program at an offcampus site of a private institution, as defined in G.S. 116-22(1), established after May 15, 1987, unless (i) the private institution offering the program has previously notified and secured agreement from other private institutions operating degree programs in the county in which the off-campus program is located or operating in the counties adjacent to that county or (ii) the degree program is neither available nor planned in the county with the off-campus site or in the counties adjacent to that county.

An "off-campus program" is any program offered for degree credit away from the institution's main, permanent campus.

Any member of the armed services as defined in G.S. 116-143.3(a), abiding in this State incident to active military duty, who does not qualify as a resident for tuition purposes as defined under G.S. 116-143.1, is eligible for a Legislative Tuition Grant pursuant to this section if the member is enrolled as a full-time student. The member's Legislative Tuition Grant may not exceed the cost of tuition less any tuition assistance paid by the member's employer.

Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

EQUITY OF FUNDING

Sec. 15.3. The Commission on the Quality of Education in The University of North Carolina reported to the General Assembly that the funding system for appropriations to each campus for continuing operations, which constitutes the majority of General Fund support to higher education, is not based on identifiable criteria that are measurable or that allow comparisons of adequacy of funding among the 16 campuses.

The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall review the equity of the continuation budget funding system, and the equity of its methods of distributing the lump-sum expansion funds appropriated by the General Assembly. The Board of Governors shall assess the criteria that should be used in deriving an equitable funding system, such as comparisons of funding at like institutions, such factors as size of student body, the costs of the programs offered by each campus, the level of the student body (lower division, upper division, graduate), the resources required to meet the early college needs of entering students based on their relative preparations for college success, and any other factors deemed by the Board of Governors to be relevant to assuring successful student outcomes. In carrying out this review, the Board of Governors shall consult with the Office of State Budget and Management.

After its review, the Board of Governors shall propose a system of funding to the General Assembly which uses identifiable criteria which are based on educationally and financially sound principles. If the Board of Governors recommends changes in the current funding system, it shall also propose a plan and schedule for moving to the recommended system. The Board of Governors shall report its progress to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by April 15, 1996, and shall report its final findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Education by November 15, 1996.

Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STUDENTS (FTE)

Sec. 15.4. The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall consider alternative approaches to funding University undergraduate and graduate enrollment, including the current funding of full-time equivalent students based on 12 semester hours annually for undergraduates, increasing this level to 15 semester hours annually, which would be consistent with graduating in four years, or funding the University on the basis of student credit hours rather than on full-time equivalent enrollment. The Board of Governors shall report its progress to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by April 15, 1996, and shall make its final recommendations regarding changes on enrollment funding to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Education by November 15, 1996.

Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

EPA REDUCTIONS

Sec. 15.7. The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall provide a list of all positions exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA) to be eliminated by this act to the General Assembly by June 1, 1995. In preparing the list, the Board of Governors shall reduce EPA nonteaching positions on a pro rata basis, except for the constituent institutions. For the constituent institutions, the EPA nonteaching reductions shall be applied only to the extent that the full-time equivalent (FTE) EPA nonteaching positions per FTE student at each institution exceeds one one-hundredth of a position. EPA nonteaching positions in excess of one one-hundredth per FTE student shall be reduced on a pro rata basis. The Board of Governors shall reduce mid-level management positions, and shall avoid eliminating librarians, student advisors, financial aid counselors, and other positions which provide direct services to students, to the extent possible.

Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNC-CH HEALTH AFFAIRS

Sec. 15.8. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Health Affairs shall charge continuing education fees that are reasonably expected to cover a higher percentage of the costs of those professional programs. Health care professionals in those areas that are likely to generate substantial revenue or clientele shall pay a higher proportion of costs for continuing education.

Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

STUDY POTENTIAL COST SAVINGS TO UNC THROUGH PRIVATIZATION OF CERTAIN SERVICES

Sec. 15.10. The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina, in consultation with the constituent institutions and affiliated organizations, shall study the potential for cost savings by contracting for various services with private contractors, including housekeeping and maintenance of physical facilities.

East Carolina University is currently realizing savings from privatizing the management of its housekeeping services. The General Assembly has reviewed requests for funding to operate approximately 2.8 million square feet of new or renovated space for the 1995-97 biennium. With this amount of new space opening up, the potential for cost savings by initially contracting for certain services to operate these facilities appears worth reviewing.

The Board of Governors shall report on the potential for increased efficiency and budget savings from the use of private contractual services to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by April 15, 1996. The Board shall identify and include in its report that portion of any savings that is attributable to lower pay scales or lower workers' benefits paid by potential private contractors.

Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

TRANSFER OF OVERHEAD RECEIPTS TO TRUST FUNDS/UNC SYSTEM

Sec. 15.11. (a) Section 2 of Chapter 936 of the 1989 Session Laws (1990 Session) expressed the intent of the General Assembly "that overhead receipts derived from reimbursement of indirect costs on contracts and grants shall not continue to be budgeted as offsets to General Fund appropriations for current operations of the constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina", that a phased reduction in these offsets be implemented, and that, at such time as the phaseout of the offsets is completed, the special fund codes be transferred to the category of institutional trust funds for budgetary and accounting purposes. The phaseout of the offsets to General Fund appropriations from overhead receipt transfers shall be completed in fiscal year 1996-97.

- (b) G.S. 116-36.1(g) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
 - "(10) Moneys received by an institution as reimbursement of overhead and other indirect costs associated with contracts and grants."
- (c) Institutions shall report on the amount of overhead receipts, the expenditures for various purposes from the funds, and the resulting fund balances to the Office of State Budget and Management and to the Fiscal Research Division on a quarterly basis in a format to be determined by the Office of State Budget and Management.
 - (d) Subsection (b) of this section becomes effective July 1, 1996.

Requested by: Senator Plexico

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ENROLLMENT

Sec. 15.12. (a) The Education Cabinet shall develop a comprehensive plan to meet the projected increase in higher education enrollments that result from the increased number of high school graduates and nontraditional students needing worker retraining. The plan shall address questions of capacity and potential increases in space utilization. The plan shall also consider several funding strategies to encourage more balanced enrollment, such as funding additional credit hours above current levels for summer school and for off-campus degree programs, and incentive funding for private colleges to enroll more North Carolina residents.

The Education Cabinet shall also coordinate the planning efforts of the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina, the Department of Community Colleges, and the North Carolina Association of Private and Independent Colleges and Universities to meet the projected increase in higher education enrollments.

A representative from the North Carolina Association of Private and Independent Colleges and Universities shall participate in the deliberations and decision-making of the Education Cabinet in accordance with G.S. 116C-1. The Board of Governors and the Department of Community Colleges shall provide staff assistance to the Education Cabinet in the development of the comprehensive plan. The Education Cabinet shall estimate the fiscal impact of all alternatives and proposals for dealing with the projected enrollment.

The Education Cabinet shall make a preliminary report on the comprehensive plan to the Joint Education Oversight Committee by April 15, 1996, and shall submit a final report to the Committee by November 15, 1996.

- (b) G.S. 116C-1(b) reads as rewritten:
- "(b) The Education Cabinet shall consist of the Governor, who shall serve as chair, the President of The University of North Carolina, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Chairman of the State Board of Education, and the President of the North Carolina Community College System. The Education Cabinet shall invite representatives of private education to participate in its deliberations as adjunct members."

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Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT BUDGET CATEGORIES

Sec. 15.13. The Institute of Government's faculty hold regular full-time faculty appointments in the Institute and devote their full time to teaching, consulting, and engaging in research and writing that supports and informs their teaching and consulting activities. In recognition of the Institute's status as a regular freestanding academic unit of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill that makes its own faculty appointments and conducts its own program of teaching, research, and consultation, the Director of the Budget shall transfer the budget appropriations in the Institute of Government from Purpose Code 142 to Purpose Code 105 and shall transfer its budget appropriations for teaching faculty salaries from Object Code 1110 to Object Code 1310. The transfer shall become effective July 1, 1995, and shall apply beginning with the 1995-97 biennial budget and hereafter.

PART 16. COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

BOOKS AND EQUIPMENT APPROPRIATIONS/REVERT AFTER ONE YEAR

Sec. 16. G.S. 115D-31 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(c) State funds appropriated to the State Board of Community Colleges for equipment and library books shall revert to the General Fund 12 months after the close of the fiscal year for which they were appropriated. Encumbered balances outstanding at the end of each period shall be handled in accordance with existing State budget policies. The Department shall identify to the Office of State Budget and Management the funds that revert at the end of the 12 months after the close of the fiscal year."

 Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

COMMUNITY COLLEGE FUNDING FLEXIBILITY

Sec. 16.1. A local community college may use all State funds allocated to it, except for Literacy Funds and Funds for New and Expanding Industries, for any authorized purpose that is consistent with the college's Institutional Effectiveness Plan. Each local community college shall submit an Institutional Effectiveness Plan that indicates to the State Board of Community Colleges how the college will use this funding flexibility to meet the demands of the local community and maintain a presence in all previously funded categorical programs.

Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

COURSE REPETITION POLICY FOR FIRE, RESCUE, AND POLICE PERSONNEL

Sec. 16.2. The course repetition policy adopted by the State Board of Community Colleges in accordance with Section 102(a) of Chapter 321 of the 1993 Session Laws does not apply to fire, rescue, or law enforcement training courses taken by fire, rescue, or law enforcement personnel.

Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

PENALTY FOR AUDIT EXCEPTIONS MODIFIED

Sec. 16.3. The audit policies of the State Board of Community Colleges shall provide that if a community college is in violation of a State or federal law or of a State Board rule or policy, the program auditors shall cite the college for an audit exception and not a concern. The State Board shall assess a twenty-five percent (25%) fiscal penalty in addition to the audit exception on all audits of both dollars and student membership hours excepted, unless the State Board finds that the audit exception was caused only by a processing or clerical error; no penalty shall be assessed in the case of a processing or clerical error.

 The president of each community college shall present the findings of the college's program audit to the board of trustees of the college.

Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

MULTI-ENTRY/MULTI-EXIT CLASSES IN PRISONS AUTHORIZED

Sec. 16.4. G.S. 115D-5(c1) reads as rewritten:

"(c1) Community colleges shall report full-time equivalent (FTE) student hours for correction education programs on the basis of contact hours rather than student membership hours. No community college shall operate a multi-entry/multi-exit class or program in a prison facility. facility, except for a literacy class or program.

The State Board shall work with the Department of Correction on offering classes and programs that match the average length of stay of an inmate in a prison facility."

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Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

CENSUS REPORTING DATES

- Sec. 16.6. (a) For the 1995-96 fiscal year, the census dates for reporting student membership hours for curriculum and occupational extension classes shall be at the thirty percent (30%) point of the class and at the ten percent (10%) point of the class which typically coincides with the end of each college's drop-add period. It is the intent of the General Assembly to determine during the Regular 1996 Session which census date shall be used in computing FTE enrollment.
 - (b) This section does not apply to courses offered on a contact-hour basis.

Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Plexico, Winner

STATE BOARD RESERVE FUNDS

Sec. 16.7. The State Board of Community Colleges shall use one-half of its Board Reserve for the 1995-96 fiscal year for expenses incurred during the North Carolina Community College System's conversion from the quarter credit system to the semester credit system.

PART 17. PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Requested by: Representative Grady, Preston, Senators Winner, Plexico

PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORKERS' COMPENSATION

- Sec. 17. (a) Salaries for positions that are funded partially from the General Fund or Highway Fund and partially from sources other than the General Fund or Highway Fund shall be increased from the General Fund or Highway Fund appropriation only to the extent of the proportionate part of the salaries paid from the General Fund or Highway Fund.
 - (b) G.S. 115C-337(a) reads as rewritten:
- "(a) Workers' Compensation Act Applicable to School Employees. The provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act shall be applicable to all school employees, and the State Board of Education shall make such arrangements as necessary to carry out the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act applicable to such these employees paid from State school funds. Liability of the State for compensation shall be confined to school employees paid by the State from State school funds for injuries or death caused

by accident arising out of and in the course of their employment in connection with the 1 2 state-operated school term. The State shall be liable for said this compensation on the 3 basis of the average weekly wage of such the employees as defined in the Workers' Compensation Act, whether all of said compensation for the school term is paid from 4 5 State funds or in part supplemented by local funds, to the extent of the proportionate part 6 of each employee's salary that is paid from State funds. The State shall also be liable for 7 workers' compensation for all school employees employed in connection with the 8 teaching of vocational agriculture, home economics, trades and industries, and other 9 vocational subjects, supported in part by State and federal funds, which liability shall 10 cover the entire period of service of such employees, these employees, to the extent of the proportionate part of each employee's salary that is paid from State funds. The local 11 12 school administrative units shall be liable for workers' compensation for school employees, including lunchroom employees, whose salaries or wages are paid by such 13 14 the local units from local or special funds. Such The local units are authorized and 15 empowered to may provide insurance to cover such this compensation liability and to include the cost of such this insurance in their annual budgets. 16

The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any person, firm firm, or corporation making voluntary contributions to schools for any purpose, and such the person, firm, or corporation shall not be liable for the payment of any sum of money under this Chapter."

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Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Winner, Plexico

USE OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FUNDS FOR LEAVE FROM SICK LEAVE BANKS

Sec. 17.1. State funds for substitute teachers shall be used to pay for substitute teachers on days that teachers use sick leave from voluntary sick leave banks established in accordance with G.S. 115C-336(b).

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Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senator Plexico

OUTCOME-BASED EDUCATION PROGRAM REPEALED

Sec. 17.2. Part 5 of Article 16 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is repealed.

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41 42 Requested by: Senators Winner, Plexico

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Sec. 17.3. (a) Funds appropriated to the State Board of Education for local school administrative units receiving career development funds for the 1995-96 and 1996-97 fiscal years shall be used only to ensure that individual employees do not receive less on a monthly basis in salary and State-funded bonuses during the 1995-96 fiscal year or during the 1996-97 fiscal year than they received on a monthly basis during the 1994-95 fiscal year, so long as the employees qualify for bonuses under the local differentiated pay plan. The State Board of Education may also use funds appropriated to State Aid to

Local School Administrative Units for the 1995-96 and 1996-97 fiscal years as is necessary to hold individual employees harmless as provided in this subsection.

- (b) Funds appropriated for local school administrative units receiving career development funds for the 1994-95 fiscal year that did not revert on June 30, 1995, shall not be used for expenses other than the costs of holding individual employees harmless as provided in subsection (a) of this section.
- (c) If funds are necessary to hold teachers harmless after the 1996-97 fiscal year, the General Assembly urges the Governor to include these funds in the continuation budget request.

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Requested by: Representatives Grady, Preston, Senators Winner, Plexico

TEACHER LEAVE IN CASES OF CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS

Sec. 17.4. G.S. 115C-336 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(c) The State Board of Education shall also adopt rules and regulations to authorize an employee who requires a substitute to use annual leave on days that students are in attendance if the employee has exhausted all of the employee's sick leave and if the employee's absence is due to the catastrophic illness of the employee. The employee shall not be required to pay the substitute."

Requested by: Senators Winner, Plexico

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Sec. 17.5. Notwithstanding G.S. 143-23 or any other provision of law, the State Board of Education shall reorganize the Department of Public Instruction in accordance with the reorganization plan adopted by the State Board of Education and submitted to the General Assembly in May 1995, and to implement the base budget reduction in this act of nine million three hundred eighteen thousand four hundred thirty-six dollars (\$9,318,436) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and ten million six hundred sixty-five thousand two hundred twenty dollars (\$10,665,220) for the 1996-97 fiscal year.

Requested by: Senators Winner, Plexico

LEGISLATIVE INTENT TO USE SAVINGS FROM THE REORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION FOR EXPANSION BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Sec. 17.6. It is the intent of the General Assembly to appropriate in the expansion budget for the 1995-96 fiscal year for State Aid to Local School Administrative Units all funds saved in this act by reorganizing the Department of Public Instruction.

- 40 Requested by: Senators Winner, Plexico
- 41 TRANSFER FUNDS FOR TACS TO LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE
- **UNITS**

Sec. 17.7. Effective July 1, 1996, the State Board of Education shall reallocate funds from Technical Assistance Centers to local school administrative units in accordance with a formula adopted by the State Board. Local boards of education may use these funds to contract with Technical Assistance Centers, contract with other entities, hire personnel, or otherwise acquire staff development, training, planning, and other forms of technical assistance.

The Technical Assistance Centers shall be funded solely by receipts from local boards of education and from other non-State sources. The State Board shall establish a management structure for the Technical Assistance Centers that enables superintendents, principals, and teachers from the local school administrative units to be served by the Centers to have input into the priorities and personnel decisions at the Centers.

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Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

SITE-BASED MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE/STAFF

Sec. 17.8. (a) Effective July 1, 1995, G.S. 115C-238.7 reads as rewritten:

"§ 115C-238.7. Creation of the Task Force on Site-Based Management; appointment of a Director of the Task Force of Site-Based Management. Management.

(a) There is created the Task Force on Site-Based Management within the Department of Public Instruction. under the State Board of Education.

The Task Force shall be composed of 21-20 members appointed as follows:

- (1) The Superintendent of Public Instruction;
- (2) One member of the State Board of Education appointed by the State Board of Education;
- (3) Two members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate:
- (4) Two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
- One member of a local board of education appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate after receiving recommendations from The North Carolina State School Boards Association, Inc.;
- (6) One member of a local board of education appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives after receiving recommendations from The North Carolina State School Boards Association. Inc.:
- (7) One local school superintendent appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate after receiving recommendations from the North Carolina Association of School Administrators;
- (8) One local school superintendent appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives after receiving recommendations from the North Carolina Association of School Administrators;
- (9) One school principal appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate after receiving recommendations from the Tar Heel Association

- of Principals/Assistant Principals and the Division of Administrators of the North Carolina Association of Educators;
- (10) One school principal appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives after receiving recommendations from the Tar Heel Association of Principals/Assistant Principals and the Division of Administrators of the North Carolina Association of Educators;
- (11) One school teacher appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate after receiving recommendations from the North Carolina Association of Educators, Inc., the North Carolina Federation of Teachers, and the Professional Educators of North Carolina, Inc.;
- (12) One school teacher appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives after receiving recommendations from the North Carolina Association of Educators, Inc., the North Carolina Federation of Teachers, and the Professional Educators of North Carolina, Inc.;
- (13) The Director of the Task Force on Site-Based Management, appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction in accordance with subsection (d) of this section;
- (14) One parent of a public school child appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction;
- (15) Two at-large members appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction;
- (16) One representative of business and industry appointed by the Governor;
- (17) One representative of institutions of higher education appointed by the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina; and
- (18) One county commissioner appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction after receiving recommendations from the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners.

Members of the Task Force shall serve for two-year terms.

All members of the Task Force shall be voting members. Vacancies in the appointed membership shall be filled by the officer who made the initial appointment. The Director of the Task Force on Site-Based Management shall select a member of the Task Force to serve as chair of the Task Force.

Members of the Task Force shall receive travel and subsistence expenses in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 120-3.1, G.S. 138-5, and G.S. 138-6.

- (b) The Task Force shall:
 - (1) Monitor Advise the State Board of Education on the implementation of the School Improvement and Accountability Act of 1989, as amended, especially the development and implementation of building-level plans;
 - (2) Advise the Director of the Task Force on Site-Based Management State

 Board of Education on how to provide training and assistance to the public schools so as to facilitate the implementation of site-based management;

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- (3) Review publications produced by the Department of Public Instruction on the development and implementation of building-level plans;
- (4) Report annually to the General Assembly and the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee State Board of Education on the implementation of site-based management in the public schools on the first Friday in December. This report may contain a summary of recommendations for changes to any law, rule, and policy that would improve site-based management.
- (c) The Department of Public Instruction shall shall, with the approval of the State Board of Education, provide staff to the Task Force at the request of the Task Force.
- (d) The State Superintendent of Public Instruction State Board of Education shall appoint a Director of the Task Force on Site-Based Management. The Director shall direct a program in the Department of Public Instruction to provide training and assistance to the public schools to facilitate the implementation of site-based management.

The Director shall supervise such site-based management specialists from each of the six technical assistance centers of the Department of Public Instruction as may be assigned by the State Superintendent. The specialists shall work directly with the local school administrative units and with school-based committees to provide them with training and assistance to facilitate the implementation of site-based management. The specialists shall coordinate their activities with the central office."

(b) The State Board of Education shall develop a plan for the reconfiguration of staff development activities, with an emphasis on assistance to schools.

Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

TEACHER ACADEMY TRANSFER

Sec. 17.9. (a) The Task Force on Teacher Staff Development, established by Section 141 of Chapter 321 of the 1993 Session Laws, is transferred from the Department of Public Instruction to The University of North Carolina and renamed the North Carolina Teacher Academy Board of Trustees. This transfer shall have all of the elements of a Type I transfer, as that term is defined in G.S. 143A-6(a).

The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall delegate to the Board of Trustees all the powers and duties the Board of Governors considers necessary or appropriate for the effective discharge of the functions of the North Carolina Teacher Academy.

- (b) The North Carolina Teacher Academy Board of Trustees shall consist of 20 members appointed as follows:
 - (1) The Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee;
 - (2) One member of the State Board of Education appointed by the Chair of the State Board;
 - (3) One member of the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina appointed by the Chair of the Board of Governors;

- 1 (4) The Director of the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching;
 3 (5) Two deans of Schools of Education appointed by the President of The University of North Carolina;
 - (6) Four public school teachers appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives in accordance with G.S. 120-121, one of whom teaches in preschool through grade 2, one of whom teaches in grades 3 through 5, one of whom teaches in grades 6 through 8, and one of whom teaches in grades 9 through 12;
 - (7) Four public school teachers appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate in accordance with G.S. 120-121, one of whom teaches in preschool through grade 2, one of whom teaches in grades 3 through 5, one of whom teaches in grades 6 through 8, and one of whom teaches in grades 9 through 12;
 - (8) Two public school teachers appointed by the Governor;
 - (9) One superintendent of a local school administrative unit appointed by the Governor:
 - (10) Two public school principals appointed by the Governor; and
 - (11) The President of the North Carolina Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, or a designee.
 - (c) Members appointed prior to July 1, 1995, shall serve until June 30, 1997. Subsequent appointments shall be for four-year terms. Members may serve two consecutive four-year terms.

The Board of Trustees shall elect a new chair every two years from its membership. The chair may serve two consecutive two-year terms as chair.

- (d) The chief administrative officer of the Teacher Academy shall be a director appointed by the Board of Trustees.
- (e) The Board of Trustees shall collaborate and coordinate its programming with NCCAT.
 - (f) This section becomes effective September 1, 1995.

34 Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

COSTS OF REORGANIZATION

Sec. 17.10. The State Board of Education shall use funds from the following sources to cover the costs incurred in accordance with G.S. 126-4(7a) related to the separation of Department of Public Instruction employees and the salaries of any positions that will be eliminated prior to January 1, 1996:

- (1) Refunds from local school administrative units of funds allocated for the 1994-95 fiscal year; and
- (2) Funds carried forward from the 1994-95 fiscal year from State Aid to Local School Administrative Units.

If these funds are not adequate to cover the costs, the State Board may also use unexpended funds appropriated for the 1995-96 fiscal year for State Aid to Local School Administrative Units.

 Requested by: Senators Plexico, Winner

CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES

Sec. 17.11. The 16 personnel positions in the Department of Public Instruction that have responsibility in the areas of the Child and Adult Food Program and the Summer Food Program are transferred from Department of Public Instruction to the Maternal and Child Health Section of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources.

Where a conflict arises in connection with the transfer, the transfer shall be resolved by the Governor, and the decision of the Governor shall be final.

Requested by: Senators Winner, Plexico

TRANSFER OF NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATION STANDARDS AND ACCOUNTABILITY COMMISSION

Sec. 17.12. (a) The North Carolina Education Standards and Accountability Commission is transferred from the Office of the Governor to the State Board of Education. This transfer shall have all of the elements of a Type II transfer, as that term is defined in G.S. 143A-6(b).

(b) G.S. 115C-105.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 115C-105.1. Creation of the Commission.

The General Assembly believes that all children can learn. The General Assembly further believes that all graduates of North Carolina public schools should have mastered the skills required to become productive members of the workforce and succeed in life. The General Assembly further believes that having a highly qualified workforce is essential to strengthening North Carolina's competitive position in the modern world economy, improving workforce productivity, and ensuring a more prosperous future for all our citizens. With that mission as its guide, the General Assembly creates the North Carolina Education Standards and Accountability Commission.

The Commission shall be located administratively in the Office of the Governor under the State Board of Education but shall exercise all its prescribed statutory powers independently of the Office of the Governor. State Board of Education."

Requested by: Senators Winner, Plexico

TRANSFER OF NORTH CAROLINA STANDARDS BOARD FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Sec. 17.13. (a) The North Carolina Standards Board for Public School Administration is transferred from the Office of the Governor to the State Board of Education. This transfer shall have all of the elements of a Type II transfer, as that term is defined in G.S. 143A-6(b).

(b) G.S. 115C-290.4(a) reads as rewritten:

The North Carolina Standards Board for Public School Administration is "(a) created. The Board shall be located for administrative purposes in the Office of the Governor. State Board of Education. The Board shall exercise its powers independently of that Office. the State Board of Education."

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11 12 Requested by: Senators Winner, Plexico

REPORTS ON REORGANIZATION

Sec. 17.14. The State Board of Education shall report on a quarterly basis, beginning September 1, 1995, to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on its progress in reorganizing the Department of Public Instruction, transfers of funds and positions necessitated by the reorganization, and recommended statutory changes necessary to enable the Board to complete the reorganization and to implement the Board's proposed accountability model.

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16 17 Requested by: Senator Winner, Plexico, Hartsell

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER PAY

Sec. 17.15. (a) G.S. 115C-12(8) reads as rewritten:

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"(8) Power to Make Provisions for Sick Leave. Leave and for Substitute Teachers. – The Board shall provide for a minimum of five days per school year term of sick leave with pay for all public school employees in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter and shall promulgate rules and regulations providing for necessary substitutes on account of said sick leave. leave and other teacher absences.

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The pay for a substitute shall be fixed by the Board. If a teacher assistant assigned to a classroom in kindergarten through third grade

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acts as a substitute teacher for that classroom, the salary of the teacher assistant for the day shall be the same as the daily salary of an entrylevel teacher with an 'A' certificate.

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The Board may provide to each local school administrative unit not exceeding one percent (1%) of the cost of instructional services for the purpose of providing substitute teachers for those on sick leave as authorized by law or by regulations of the Board, but not exceeding the provisions made for other State employees."

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> Substitute teachers who are not certified as teachers but have worked as teacher (b) assistants in the public schools shall be paid at the same rate as substitute teachers who are not certified as teachers but have previously taken teacher effectiveness training.

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PART 18. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

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GENERAL SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Sec. 18. The Facilities Management Branch of the Division of Highways and the General Services Branch of the Division of Motor Vehicles shall be merged into the General Services Division of the Department of Transportation. The Department of Transportation shall report to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee on or before October 31, 1995, concerning the merger of these three agencies and the savings resulting from the consolidation and elimination of duplication.

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Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAM

Sec. 18.1. Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 136-140.1. Adopt-A-Highway.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the Department of Transportation may permit individuals or groups participating in its Adopt-A-Highway Program access to controlled access facilities for the purpose of removing litter from the right-of-way. Acknowledgment of participation in the program may be indicated by appropriate signs that shall be owned, controlled, and erected by the Department of Transportation. The size, style, specifications, and content of the signs shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Department of Transportation. The Department of Transportation may issue rules and policies necessary to administer the program.
- (b) Adopt-A-Highway participants may use contract services to clean the roadside of the sections of highway the participants have adopted only in accordance with the rules and policies issued by the Department of Transportation."

Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

RAILROAD DIVIDEND USES SUBMITTED AS PART OF ANNUAL DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BUDGET

Sec. 18.2. G.S. 136-16.6 reads as rewritten:

"§ 136-16.6. Continuing rail appropriations.

- (a) There is annually appropriated one hundred percent (100%) of the annual dividends received in the prior fiscal year by the State from its ownership of stock in the North Carolina Railroad Company and the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Company to the Highway Fund for use by the Department of Transportation for railroad purposes.
- (b) The Department of Transportation shall include in its annual budget the purposes for which the annual dividends received by the State from its ownership of stock in the North Carolina Railroad Company will be used.

These purposes may include the following project types to be included in the annual Transportation Improvement Program:

- (1) Track and signal improvements for passenger service.
- (2) Rail passenger stations and multimodal transportation centers.
- (3) Grade crossing protection, elimination, and hazard removal.
- (4) Rail rolling stock cars and locomotives.

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	(5) Rail rehabilitation.				
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Requested	by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle				
	TRANSPARK AUTHORITY TO REIMBURSE HIGHWAY FUND				
	EDERAL SOURCES				
	Sec. 18.3. When funds are provided from the Highway Fund to the Global				
	Authority for environmental impact statements or assessments and the Global				
	TransPark Authority applies for and receives reimbursement for those expenses from				
	arces up to one million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000), the federal				
	ments shall be paid over by the Global TransPark Authority into the Highway				
	in 30 days of receipt. These funds shall be allocated to State-funded				
maintenand	ce appropriations in the manner approved by the Board of Transportation.				
Requested	by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle				
AIRCRAF	FT AND FERRY ACQUISITIONS				
	Sec. 18.4. Before approving the purchase of an aircraft from the Equipment				
Fund or a	ferry in a Transportation Improvement Program, the Board of Transportation				
	are an estimate of the operational costs and capital costs associated with the				
	f the aircraft or ferry and shall report those additional costs to the General				
	pursuant to G.S. 136-12(b), and to the Joint Legislative Commission on				
Governmen	ntal Operations.				
	by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle				
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	Sec. 18.5. Of the unencumbered funds appropriated for Ferry Operations as of				
	995, two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) shall revert to the Highway				
Fund.					
	by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle				
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Sec. 18.6. The Department of Transportation shall pay the Department of Correction only for the actual labor performed by medium custody inmates.

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Requested by: Senator Hoyle

VISITOR CENTER OPERATIONAL FUNDS

Sec. 18.7. G.S. 20-79.7(c) reads as rewritten:

- "(c) Use of Funds in Special Registration Plate Account.
 - (1) The Division shall deduct the costs of special registration plates, including the costs of issuing, handling, and advertising the availability of the special plates, from the Special Registration Plate Account.

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- (2) From the funds remaining in the Special Registration Plate Account after the deductions in accordance with subdivision (1) of this subsection, there is <u>annually appropriated</u> from the Special Registration Plate Account the sum of three hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$325,000) for the 1993-94 fiscal year and the sum of three hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$375,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) to provide operating assistance for the Visitor and Welcome Centers:
 - a. on U.S. Highway 17 in Camden County, (\$75,000);
 - b. on U.S. Highway 17 in Brunswick County, (\$75,000);
 - c. on U.S. Highway 441 in Macon County, (\$75,000);
 - d. in the Town of Boone, Watauga County, (\$75,000); and
 - e. on U.S. Highway 29 in Caswell County, (\$25,000) for the 1993-94 fiscal year and (\$75,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year. (\$75,000); and
 - f. on U.S. Highway 70 in Carteret County, (\$75,000).
- (3) The Division shall transfer the remaining revenue in the Account quarterly as follows:
 - a. Thirty-three percent (33%) to the account of the Department of Commerce to aid in financing out-of-state print and other media advertising under the program for the promotion of travel and industrial development in this State.
 - b. Fifty percent (50%) to the Department of Transportation to be used solely for the purpose of beautification of highways other than those designated as interstate. These funds shall be administered by the Department of Transportation for beautification purposes not inconsistent with good landscaping and engineering principles.
 - Seventeen percent (17%) to the account of the Department of c. Human Resources to promote travel accessibility for disabled persons in this State. These funds shall be used to collect and update site information on travel attractions designated by the Department of Commerce in its publications, to provide technical assistance to travel attractions concerning accommodation of disabled tourists, and to develop, print, and promote the publication ACCESS NORTH CAROLINA as provided in G.S. 168-2. Any funds allocated for these purposes that are neither spent nor obligated at the end of the fiscal year shall be transferred to the Department of Administration for removal of man-made barriers to disabled travelers at State-funded travel attractions. Guidelines for the removal of man-made barriers shall be developed in consultation with the Department of Human Resources."

Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

HIGHWAY FUND ALLOCATIONS BY CONTROLLER

Sec. 18.8. The Controller of the Department of Transportation shall allocate at the beginning of each fiscal year from the various appropriations made to the Department of Transportation in this act, Titles:

State Construction

State Funds to Match Federal Highway Aid

State Maintenance

Ferry Operations,

sufficient funds to eliminate all overdrafts on State maintenance and construction projects, and these allocations shall not be diverted to other purposes.

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Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

HIGHWAY CASH **FLOW FUND** AND HIGHWAY **TRUST FUND** APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 18.9. (a) The General Assembly authorizes and certifies anticipated revenues of the Highway Fund as follows:

> For Fiscal Year 1997-98 For Fiscal Year 1998-99

\$1,075.6 Million \$1,093.1 Million

The General Assembly authorizes and certifies anticipated revenues of the (b) Highway Trust Fund as follows:

For Fiscal Year 1997-98

\$ 775.8 Million

For Fiscal Year 1998-99

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Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

HIGHWAY FUND LIMITATIONS ON OVEREXPENDITURES

Sec. 18.10. (a) Overexpenditures from Section 3 of this act may be made by authorization of the Director of the Budget, Titles:

State Construction Primary Construction

State Construction Urban Construction

31 **Spot Safety Construction**

State Construction Access and Public Service Roads

State Funds to Match Federal Highway Aid

State Maintenance

Ferry Operations,

provided that there are corresponding underexpenditures from these same Titles. Overexpenditures or underexpenditures in any Titles shall not vary by more than ten percent (10%) without prior consultation with the Advisory Budget Commission. Written reports covering overexpenditures or underexpenditures of more than ten percent (10%) shall be made to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee. The reports shall be delivered to the Director of the Fiscal Research Division not less than 96 hours prior to the beginning of the Commission's full meeting.

Overexpenditures from Section 3 of this act, Titles:

State Construction Primary Construction 1 2 State Construction Urban Construction 3 **Spot Safety Construction** 4

State Construction Access and Public Service Roads

State Funds to Match Federal Highway Aid

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> for the purpose of providing additional positions shall be approved by the Director of the Budget and shall be reported on a quarterly basis to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee and to the Fiscal Research Division.

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Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

RESURFACED ROADS MAY BE WIDENED

Sec. 18.11. Of the contract maintenance resurfacing program funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Transportation, an amount not to exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the Board of Transportation's allocation of these funds may be used for widening existing narrow pavements that are scheduled for resurfacing.

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Requested by: Senator Hoyle

SMALL URBAN CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

Sec. 18.12. Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Transportation, fourteen million dollars (\$14,000,000) shall be allocated in each fiscal year for small urban construction projects. These funds shall be allocated equally in each fiscal year of the biennium among the 14 Highway Divisions for the small urban construction program for small urban construction projects that are located within the area covered by a one-mile radius of the municipal corporate limits. Discretionary funds of fourteen million dollars (\$14,000,000) shall be used statewide for rural or small urban highway improvements as approved by the Secretary of the Department of Transportation.

None of these funds used for rural secondary road construction are subject to the county allocation formula as provided in G.S. 136-44.5.

The Department of Transportation shall report to the members of the General Assembly on projects funded pursuant to this section in each member's district prior to the Board of Transportation's action. The Department shall make a quarterly comprehensive report on the use of these funds to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee and the Fiscal Research Division.

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Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

HIGHWAY FUND ADJUSTMENTS TO REFLECT ACTUAL REVENUE

Sec. 18.13. Any unreserved credit balance in the Highway Fund on June 30 of each of the fiscal years of this biennium shall support appropriations in the succeeding fiscal year. If all of the balance is not needed for these appropriations, the Director of the Budget may use the remaining excess to establish a reserve for access and public roads, a

reserve for unforeseen happening of a state of affairs requiring prompt action as provided by G.S. 136-44.1, and other required reserves. If all of the remaining excess is not used to establish these reserves, the remainder shall be allocated to the State-funded maintenance appropriations in the manner approved by the Board of Transportation. The Board of Transportation shall report monthly to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee and the Fiscal Research Division about the use of the reserve for highway and maintenance.

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Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION EXEMPTION FROM GENERAL STATUTES FOR EXPERIMENTAL PROJECT-CONGESTION MANAGEMENT

Sec. 18.14. The Department of Transportation may enter into a design-build-warrant contract to develop, with Federal Highway Administration participation under The 1991 Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act, Title VI, Part B, Sections 6051-6059, a "Congestion Avoidance and Reduction for Autos and Trucks (CARAT)" system of traffic management for the greater Charlotte-Mecklenburg urban areas. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, contractors, contractors' employees, and Department of Transportation employees involved in this project only do not have to be licensed by occupational licensing boards as "license" and "occupational licensing board" are defined in G.S. 93B-1; and for the purpose of entering into contracts, the Department of Transportation is exempted from the provisions of the following General Statutes: G.S. 136-28.1, 143-52, 143-53, 143-58, 143-128, and 143-129. These statutory exemptions are limited and available only to the extent necessary to comply with federal rules, regulations, and policies for completion of this project.

The Department of Transportation shall report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee on its efforts to enter into a design-build-warrant contract and to award and construct the project. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the number of types of firms bidding on the project, special qualifications of the firms bidding, and the effect statutory exemptions might have had on the award and construction of the project and the receipt of federal discretionary funding for the project.

Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

BRANCH AGENT/DMV COST COMPARISON

Sec. 18.16. The Division of Motor Vehicles shall conduct a cost comparison study comparing the costs of services provided by contract branch agents with the cost of providing those services at the Division of Motor Vehicles offices in Raleigh and Charlotte. The study shall also include an analysis of the impact the planned vehicle registration computer system improvements will have on the cost, efficiency, and delivery of services to the public. The Division of Motor Vehicles shall report the results of the study to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee by March 1, 1996.

Requested by: Senator Hoyle

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STUDY OF DRIVERS LICENSE MEDICAL EVALUATION PROGRAM

Sec. 18.17. (a) There is established in the General Assembly a Commission to study the Drivers License Medical Evaluation Program operated pursuant to G.S. 20-9. The Commission shall study:

- (1) Whether the program should be modified or abolished;
- (2) Whether the program should be transferred entirely to the Division of Motor Vehicles rather than involving reviews by the Commission for Health Services; and
- (3) How applicants for drivers licenses should be removed from the program when their conditions improve.
- (b) The Commission shall be composed of six members appointed as follows:
 - (1) Three members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, at least two of whom shall be members of the Senate at the time of their appointment; and
 - (2) Three members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, at least two of whom shall be members of the House of Representatives at the time of their appointment.

The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each select a legislative member from their appointments to serve as cochair of the Commission. Meetings shall be held at the call of the cochairs.

All members shall serve at the will of their appointing officer. Unless removed, or having resigned, members shall serve until the Commission has made its report. Vacancies in membership shall be filled by the officer having made the original appointment.

(c) Upon approval of the Legislative Services Commission, the Legislative Administrative Officer shall assign appropriate professional and clerical staff from the Fiscal Research, Research, or Bill Drafting Divisions of the Legislative Services Office of the General Assembly to assist with the study. Clerical staff shall be furnished to the Commission through the Senate and House of Representatives' Supervisors of Clerks. The employment of the clerical staff shall be borne by the Commission. The Commission may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building upon the approval of the Legislative Services Commission. The Commission, while in the discharge of its official duties may exercise all the powers provided under the provisions of G.S. 120-19 through G.S. 120-19.4, including the power to request all officers, agents, agencies, and departments of the State to provide any information and any data within their possession and ascertainable from their records, and the power to subpoena witnesses.

The Commission may request the assistance of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, the Department of Transportation, and the Office of State Budget and Management in conducting this study.

Members of the Commission shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowances as provided by law.

The Commission may make an interim report, including any legislative 1 2 proposals, to the 1995 General Assembly, Regular Session 1996, and shall make a final 3 report, including any legislative proposals, to the 1997 General Assembly. 4 5 Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle 6 REVERSIONS FOR HIGHWAY FUND PROJECTS 7 Sec. 18.18. Except as permitted in other sections of this act, the appropriations 8 for capital improvements from the Highway Fund made by the 1995 General Assembly 9 may be expended only for the specific projects set out by the 1995 General Assembly and 10 for no other purpose. Construction of all capital improvement projects enumerated by the 1995 11 12 General Assembly shall be commenced, or self-liquidating indebtedness with respect to 13 them shall be incurred, within 12 months following the first day of the fiscal year in 14 which the funds are available. 15 If construction contracts on those projects have not been awarded or self-16 liquidating indebtedness has not been incurred within that period, the direct appropriation 17 for those projects shall revert to the Highway Fund, and the self-liquidating appropriation 18 shall lapse; except that direct appropriations may be placed in a reserve fund if so 19 authorized in this act. 20 This deadline with respect to both direct and self-liquidating appropriations 21 from the Highway Fund may be extended with the approval of the Director of the Budget up to an additional 12 months if circumstances and conditions warrant such extension. 22 23 24 Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle 25 **CAPITAL REVERSIONS** 26 Sec. 18.19. (a) The funds remaining unencumbered from the following projects 27 shall revert to the Highway Fund: 28 DMV Additions Sec. 4 of Chapter 1101 of the 1987 Session Laws. 29 30 DMV Additions Sec. 6 of Chapter 754 of the 1989 Session Laws. 31 32 DMV Warehouse Sec. 6 of Chapter 754 of the 1989 Session 33 Laws. 34 35 Land, Asheville Sec. 8 of Chapter 1074 of the 1989 Session Laws. 36 37 DMV Electrical Sec. 236.1 of Chapter 689 of the 1991 Session Laws. 38

DMV Building Sec. 5 of Chapter 561 of the 1993 Session Laws.

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From the funds reverted to the Highway Fund by subsection (a) of this section, sufficient funds shall be used to close the accounts on the following projects:

42 Handicap

> Modifications Sec. 4 of Chapter 1101 of the 1987 Session Laws.

1 2 3	Statesville DMV Sec. 236.1 of Chapter 689 of the 1991 Session Laws.			
4 5	Handicap Modifications Sec. 236.1 of Chapter 689 of the 1991 Session Laws.			
	Modifications Sec. 236.1 of Chapter 689 of the 1991 Session Laws.			
6 7	Fire Alarm Sec. 30 of Chapter 1044 of the 1991 Session Laws.			
8	The Main Sec. 30 of Chapter 1044 of the 1771 Session Laws.			
9	Goldsboro DMV Sec. 30 of Chapter 1044 of the 1991 Session Laws.			
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11	Kinston DMV Sec. 30 of Chapter 1044 of the 1991 Session Laws.			
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13	Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle			
14	UNSPENT BEAUFORT REST AREA FUNDS TO REVERT TO HIGHWAY			
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16	Sec. 18.20. Unused funds appropriated to the Department of Administration			
17	pursuant to Section 106 of Chapter 900 of the 1991 Session Laws shall revert to the			
18	Highway Fund.			
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20	Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle			
21	LAND SALES PROCEEDS TO BE APPROPRIATED			
22	Sec. 18.21. The proceeds from the sales of the following properties shall be			

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Sec. 18.21. The proceeds from the sales of the following properties shall be placed in a capital reserve to be appropriated by the 1996 General Assembly for capital projects to be funded during the 1996-97 fiscal year:

Goldsboro - Old District Office/Maintenance Yard

Durham - Property at 320 Club Drive

Dare County - Old Bridge Maintenance Yard

Greenville - Maintenance Subyard

Cashiers - Storage Yard.

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Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

HIGHWAY FUND/HIGHWAY TRUST FUND FINANCIAL MODEL

Sec. 18.22. The Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee shall prepare a request for proposal (RFP), select a qualified firm from bids submitted in response to the RFP to develop a Highway Fund/Highway Trust Fund financial model, and contract with that firm to develop the financial model by March 31, 1996, at a cost not to exceed sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000). The funds to pay for the development of the financial model shall come from the Highway Trust Fund.

The financial model shall be a computer-based financial model used to project long-term expenditure and revenue trends under various simulations. The model will identify quantitatively the long-term "structural" implications of the interplay between the Highway Fund and the Highway Trust Fund budget, the economy, and selected demographic factors.

Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

STATE PRINTING OFFICER TO STUDY STATE PRINTING SERVICES

Sec. 18.23. The State Printing Officer in the Division of Purchase and Contract, Department of Administration, shall study State government printing services to determine, inter alia:

- (1) The feasibility of continuing separate departmental in-house printing operations;
- (2) The feasibility of the increased use of Correction Enterprises printing services; and
- (3) Whether contracting out printing orders worth more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) would provide savings to the State.

The State Printing Officer shall submit a report on his findings to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on or before October 31, 1995.

Requested by: Representatives Barbee, Bowie, Senator Hoyle

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FUNDS REVERTED

Sec. 18.24. Of the funds appropriated in fiscal year 1992-93 for the purpose of beginning the implementation of a new financial accounting and reporting system for the Department of Transportation, the sum of one million three hundred thousand dollars (\$1,300,000) shall revert to the Highway Fund on June 30, 1995.

The remaining unencumbered and unspent funds shall be used by the Department of Transportation in a joint effort with the Office of the State Controller to develop a comprehensive plan for the new financial accounting and reporting system for presentation to the 1996 Session of the General Assembly.

The comprehensive plan shall provide for the complete financial accounting and reporting requirements of the Department including those for work order funding and costing, billing for Federal Highway Aid and other sums owed to the Department, payment to highway and engineering contractors, fleet management and inventory management as well as core accounting functions of purchasing, accounts payable, accounts receivable, budget preparation, budget control, fixed assets, and grant accounting.

For all the above functions, the comprehensive plan shall identify:

- (1) The processing concepts and methods that will be employed;
- (2) The computer hardware and software and associated manual processes required to perform the required functions efficiently and effectively;
- (3) The implementation cost for the computer hardware and software and related costs such as training;
- (4) The time required for implementation;
- (5) The projected operating costs for the new system; and
- (6) The projected operating savings, if any.

The planned system shall conform to the applicable standards and requirements of the State Accounting System.

The Department shall make quarterly reports on the development of the plan to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee.

Requested by: Senator Hoyle

ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR DRIVER TRAINING

Sec. 18.27. In allocating funds for driver training, the State Board of Education shall consider the needs of small and low-wealth local school administrative units.

10 Requested by: Senator Hoyle

RADIO ISLAND RAILROAD TRESTLE FUNDS

Sec. 18.28. (a) Section 68 of Chapter 561 of the 1993 Session Laws reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 68. Of the funds appropriated in this act from the General Fund to the North Carolina Ports Railway Commission, the Department of Transportation, the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) for the 1993-94 fiscal year shall be used to plan for the replacement of the wooden trestle over the Newport River on the Beaufort and Morehead Railroad with a modern concrete trestle.

The Attorney General and the Department of Transportation shall identify legal issues related to the design, construction, and operation of the new trestle and shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division of the Legislative Services Office not later than March 1, 1994, on options available to resolve those issues."

(b) The Department of Transportation shall proceed with the planning and construction of the trestle, Project P-3100 in the 1996-2002 Transportation Improvement Program, and shall commence construction of the trestle during calendar year 1996. The completed bridge shall be added to the State System for maintenance purposes.

Requested by: Senator Hoyle

CHARLOTTE MOTOR SPEEDWAY PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

Sec. 18.29. The Department of Transportation may permit private encroachments on the highway right-of-way of U.S. 29 in Cabarrus County for pedestrian bridges and tunnels to provide access for pedestrians and vehicles from the Charlotte Motor Speedway property on the north side of U.S. 29 to the Charlotte Motor Speedway property located on the south side of U.S. 29. Locations, plans, and specifications for the pedestrian bridges and tunnels shall be approved by the Department.

The encroachments shall not unreasonably interfere with or obstruct the public use of U.S. 29 and shall be subject to all other rules, regulations, and conditions of the Department of Transportation for encroachments.

Requested by: Senator Hoyle

ROOFING REPAIR REVERSIONS

1 2	Sec. 18.30. Funds remaining unencumbered from the following roofing repair projects shall revert to the Highway Fund:			
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3 4 5	Ro	oofing	Sec. 8 of Chapter 1074 of the 1989 Session Laws.	
3 6 7	Ro	oofing	Sec. 236.1 of Chapter 689 of the 1991 Session Laws.	
8 9	Ro	oofing	Sec. 30 of Chapter 1044 of the 1991 Session Laws.	
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16			3B-273.15 reads as rewritten:	
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30	(b)	<u>(2)</u>	Of the remaining eighty percent (80%) of the fund, fiscal year	
31			iation, a total funding amount will be set for each county	
32	(1)	_	pon the following variables:	
33	(1)		y percent (20%) based on a fixed equal dollar amount for each	
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36	(2)	<u>o.</u> Sixty population	percent (60%) based on the county share of the State	
37	(3)		y percent (20%) based on the supervised probation admissions	
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Grants to participating counties are for a period of one fiscal year with unobligated funds being returned to the Account at the end of the grant period. Funds are provided to

funding that a county may apply for under this subsection.

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participating counties on a reimbursement basis unless a county documents a need for an advance of grant funds."

Requested by: Senator Ballance

LIMIT USE OF OPERATIONAL FUNDS

Sec. 19.1. Funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Correction for operational costs for additional facilities shall be used for personnel and operating expenses set forth in the budget approved by the General Assembly in this act. These funds may not be expended for any other purpose, except as provided for in this act, and may not be expended for additional prison personnel positions until the new facilities are within 90 days of projected completion, except for certain management, security, and support positions necessary to prepare the facility for opening, as authorized in the budget approved by the General Assembly.

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

REPORT ON SUMMIT HOUSE

Sec. 19.2. Summit House shall report quarterly during each year of the 1995-97 biennium to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on the (i) expenditure of State appropriations and on the effectiveness of the program, including information on the number of clients served, the number of clients who have their probation revoked, and the number of clients who successfully complete the program while housed at Summit House; and (ii) the expansion of its program into Mecklenburg and Wake Counties.

Requested by: Senators Ballance, Odom

SUMMIT HOUSE FUNDS SHALL NOT REVERT

Sec. 19.2A. (a) The balance of the nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) appropriated in Chapter 321 of the 1993 Session Laws to the Department of Correction for the 1994-95 fiscal year for support and expansion of the programs at Summit House in Greensboro and Mecklenburg and Wake Counties shall not revert at the end of the fiscal year but shall remain in the Department for that purpose.

(b) This section becomes effective June 30, 1995.

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

REPORT ON BOOT CAMPS

Sec. 19.3. Subsection (c) of Section 19 of Chapter 24 of the Session Laws of the 1994 Extra Session reads as rewritten:

"(c) The Department of Correction shall evaluate the IMPACT program and the post-Boot Camp probation program funded under this section and report by January 1 of each year to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the Joint Legislative Corrections Oversight Committee, and the Fiscal Research Division prior to January 1, 1995, and annually thereafter. Division. The evaluation of the IMPACT program and the post-Boot Camp probation program shall compare include a comparison

of that program's effectiveness, cost, and recidivism rate to other corrections programs for offenders aged 16-25. in the same age group and similar offense classes as that covered by the IMPACT program. The evaluation of the post-Boot Camp probation program shall compare that program's effectiveness, cost, and recidivism rate to other probation programs for offenders aged 16-25."

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Requested by: Senator Ballance

HARRIET'S HOUSE FUNDS SHALL NOT REVERT

Sec. 19.6. (a) The balance of the two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) appropriated in Chapter 769 of the 1993 Session Laws to the Department of Correction for the 1994-95 fiscal year to support the programs at Harriet's House shall not revert at the end of the fiscal year but shall remain in the Department to be used for program operating costs, the purchase of equipment, and the rental of real property.

(b) This section becomes effective June 30, 1995.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

REPORT ON TRANSFER OF COMMUNITY SERVICE WORK PROGRAM TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

Sec. 19.7. The Department of Correction shall report quarterly beginning October 1, 1995, to the Joint Legislative Corrections Oversight Committee and the Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety on the integration of the community service work program into the Department of Correction, Division of Adult Probation and Parole. The report shall:

- (1) Identify any changes in the organizational structure of the community service work program and probation and parole as a result of the transfer;
- (2) List the number and type of position classification changes for community service work program positions and any accompanying salary and grade increases or reductions;
- (3) Describe any changes in the responsibilities and activities of the community service work program;
- (4) List the number of community service work program positions assigned to each judicial district as of June 30, 1995, compared to position numbers by district for each quarter thereafter; and
- (5) Provide a progress report on any potential efficiencies and budget savings that result from reorganization or integration of the community service work program.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

SUBSTANCE ABUSE FUNDS SHALL NOT REVERT

Sec. 19.8. (a) The balance of the one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) appropriated in Chapter 591 of the 1993 Session Laws to the Department of Correction for the 1994-95 fiscal year for a pilot community-based treatment program for alcohol

and drug abusers on probation and parole shall not revert at the end of the fiscal year but shall remain in the Department for that purpose.

(b) This section becomes effective June 30, 1995.

Requested by: Senator Rand

REPEAL PRISON CAP/PREVENT PAROLE OF VIOLENT FELONS

Section 19.9. (a)G.S. 148-4.1 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

- "(a1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Department of Correction shall at all times secure the necessary prison space to house any violent felon or habitual felon for the full active sentence imposed by the court. For purposes of this subsection, the term 'violent felon' means any person convicted of the following felony offenses: first or second degree murder, voluntary manslaughter, first or second degree rape, first or second degree sexual offense, any sexual offense involving a minor, robbery, kidnapping, or assault, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit any of those offenses."
 - (b) G.S. 148-4.1(c1) reads as rewritten:
- "(c1) For purposes of this section only, 'prison capacity' means the number of prisoners housed in facilities located in North Carolina and owned or operated by the State of North Carolina, as set by the Governor. In setting the prison capacity for purposes of this section, the Governor shall consider the number of beds available and shall make a finding that the number set would not jeopardize the State's ability to perform its obligations under the law. In no event shall the number set by the Governor under this subsection exceed 24,500. 27,500."
 - (c) G.S. 148-4(g) reads as rewritten:
- "(g) In order to meet the requirements of this section, the Parole Commission shall not parole any person convicted under Article 7A of Chapter 14 of a sex offense, under G.S. 14-39, 14-41, or 14-43.3, under G.S. 90-95(h) of a drug trafficking offense, or under G.S. 14-17. G.S. 14-17, or any other violent felon as defined in subsection (a1) of this section."The Parole Commission may continue to consider the suitability for release of such persons in accordance with the criteria set forth in Articles 85 and 85A of Chapter 15A.
 - (d) G.S. 148-4.1(g1) reads as rewritten:
- "(g1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law except for subsection (h) of this section, whenever the Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission is required to release inmates in order to meet the requirements of this section, the Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission may parole nonviolent inmates who would not otherwise be eligible for parole instead of paroling violent inmates who are eligible for parole. This subsection does not apply to sentences under Article 81B of Chapter 15A of the General Statutes."
- (e) Effective January 1, 1996, G.S. 148-4.1, as rewritten by subsections (a) and (b) of this section, reads as rewritten:
- "§ 148-4.1. Release of inmates.

- Whenever the Secretary of Correction determines from data compiled by the Department of Correction that it is necessary to reduce the prison population to a more manageable level, level or to meet the State's obligations under law, he shall direct the Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission to release on parole over a reasonable period of time a number of prisoners sufficient to that purpose. From the time the Secretary directs the Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission until the prison population has been reduced to a more manageable level, the Secretary may not accept any inmates ordered transferred from local confinement facilities to the State prison system under G.S. 148-32.1(b). Further, the Secretary may return any inmate housed in the State prison system under an order entered pursuant to G.S. 148-32.1(b) to the local confinement facility from which the inmate was transferred. In order to meet the requirements of this section, the Parole Commission shall not parole any person convicted under Article 7A of Chapter 14 of a sex offense, under G.S. 14-39, 14-41, or 14-43.3, under G.S. 90-95(h) of a drug trafficking offense, or under G.S. 14-17, or any other violent felon as defined in subsection (a1) of this section. The Parole Commission may continue to consider the suitability for release of such persons in accordance with the criteria set forth in Articles 85 and 85A of Chapter 15A.
- (a1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Department of Correction shall at all times secure the necessary prison space to house any violent felon or habitual felon for the full active sentence imposed by the court. For purposes of this subsection, the term 'violent felon' means any person convicted of the following felony offenses: first or second degree murder, voluntary manslaughter, first or second degree rape, first or second degree sexual offense, any sexual offense involving a minor, robbery, kidnapping, or assault, or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit any of those offenses.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) and (e), (c), only inmates who are otherwise eligible for parole pursuant to Article 85 of Chapter 15A or pursuant to Article 3B of this Chapter may be released under this section.
- (c) Persons eligible for parole under Article 85A of Chapter 15A shall be eligible for early parole under this section nine months prior to the discharge date otherwise applicable, and six months prior to the date of automatic 90-day parole authorized by G.S. 15A-1380.2.
- (c1) For purposes of this section only, 'prison capacity' means the number of prisoners housed in facilities located in North Carolina and owned or operated by the State of North Carolina, as set by the Governor. In setting the prison capacity for purposes of this section, the Governor shall consider the number of beds available and shall make a finding that the number set would not jeopardize the State's ability to perform its obligations under the law. In no event shall the number set by the Governor under this subsection exceed 27,500.
- (d) If the number of prisoners housed in facilities located in North Carolina and owned or operated by the State of North Carolina for the Division of Prisons exceeds ninety-eight percent (98%) of prison capacity for 15 consecutive days, the Secretary of Correction shall notify the Governor and the Chairman of the Parole Commission of this

fact. Upon receipt of this notification, the Parole Commission shall within 90 days release on parole a number of inmates sufficient to reduce the prison population to ninety-seven percent (97%) of prison capacity.

From the date of the notification until the prison population has been reduced to ninety-seven percent (97%) of prison capacity, the Secretary may not accept any inmates ordered transferred from local confinement facilities to the State prison system under G.S. 148-32.1(b). Further, the Secretary may return any inmate housed in the State prison system under an order entered pursuant to G.S. 148-32.1(b) to the local confinement facility from which the inmate was transferred.

- (e) In addition to those persons otherwise eligible for parole, from the date of notification in subsection (d) until the prison population has been reduced to ninety-seven percent (97%) of prison capacity, any person imprisoned only for a misdemeanor also shall be eligible for parole and immediate termination upon admission, notwithstanding any other provision of law, except:
 - (1) Those persons convicted under G.S. 20-138.1 of driving while impaired or any offense involving impaired driving, and
 - (2) Those persons convicted pursuant to G.S. 130A-25 of failing to obtain the treatment required by Part 3 or Part 5 of Article 6 of Chapter 130A or of violating G.S. 130A-144(f) or G.S. 130A-145.
- (f) In complying with the mandate of subsection (d), the Parole Commission may exercise the discretion granted to refuse parole by G.S. 15A-1371 in selecting felons to be paroled under this section so long as the prison population does not exceed prison capacity.
- (g) In order to meet the requirements of this section, the Parole Commission shall not parole any person convicted under Article 7A of Chapter 14 of a sex offense, under G.S. 14-39, 14-41, or 14-43.3, under G.S. 90-95(h) of a drug trafficking offense, or under G.S. 14-17, or any other violent felon as defined in subsection (a1) of this section. The Parole Commission may continue to consider the suitability for release of such persons in accordance with the criteria set forth in Articles 85 and 85A of Chapter 15A.
- (g1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law except for subsection (h) of this section, the Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission may parole nonviolent inmates who would not otherwise be eligible for parole instead of paroling violent inmates who are eligible for parole. This subsection does not apply to sentences under Article 81B of Chapter 15A of the General Statutes.
- (h) A person sentenced under Article 81B of Chapter 15A of the General Statutes shall not be released pursuant to this section."
 - (f) Effective January 1, 1996, G.S. 148-32.1(b) reads as rewritten:
- "(b) In the event that the custodian of the local confinement facility certifies in writing to the clerk of the superior court in the county in which said local confinement facility is located that the local confinement facility is filled to capacity, or that the facility cannot reasonably accommodate any more prisoners due to segregation requirements for particular prisoners, or that the custodian anticipates, in light of local experiences, an influx of temporary prisoners at that time, or if the local confinement

facility does not meet the minimum standards published pursuant to G.S. 153A-221, any judge of the district court in the district court district as defined in G.S. 7A-133 where the facility is located, or any superior court judge who has jurisdiction pursuant to G.S. 7A-47.1 or 7A-48 in a district or set of districts as defined in G.S. 7A-41.1 where the facility is located may order that the prisoner be transferred to any other qualified local confinement facility within that district or within another such district where space is available, including a satellite jail unit operated pursuant to G.S. 153A-230.3 if the prisoner is a non-violent misdemeanant, which local facility shall accept the transferred prisoner, if the prison population has exceeded the limits established in G.S. 148-4.1(d). a manageable level as provided for in G.S. 148-4.1(a). If no such local confinement facility is available, then any such judge may order the prisoner transferred to such camp or facility as the proper authorities of the Department of Correction shall designate, notwithstanding that the term of imprisonment of the prisoner is 90 days or less. In no event, however, shall a prisoner whose term of imprisonment is less than 30 days be assigned or ordered transferred to any such camp or facility."

(g) Subsections (e) and (f) of this section become effective January 1, 1996. The remainder of this section is effective upon ratification.

PART 20. DEPARTMENT OF CRIME CONTROL AND PUBLIC SAFETY

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Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER GRANTS

- Sec. 20. (a) Section 1303(4) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 provides that State applications for drug law enforcement grants are subject to review by the State legislature or its designated body.
- (b) The North Carolina General Assembly hereby provides that State applications for grants under the State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Act of 1986, Part M of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 as enacted by Subtitle K of P.L. 99-570, the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986, are subject to review by the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations if at the time of review the General Assembly is not in session. Any State agency submitting a grant application for review shall also report to the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety and to the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety with regard to the grant.
- (c) Unless a State statute provides a different forum for review, when a federal law or regulation provides that a State application for a grant must be reviewed by the State legislature or its designated body and at the time of the review the General Assembly is not in session, that application shall be reviewed by the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Any State agency submitting a grant application for review shall also report to the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety and to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety with regard to the grant.

 Requested by: Senator Ballance

ELIMINATE DEPARTMENT OF CRIME CONTROL AND PUBLIC SAFETY/RELOCATE DIVISIONS

- Sec. 20.4. (a) There is established within the Office of the Governor the Office of Public Safety.
- (b) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Crime Prevention Division of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety are transferred to the Department of Justice.
- (c) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Highway Patrol Division of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety are transferred to the Office of Public Safety in the Office of the Governor.
- (d) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, Division of Victim and Justice Services, to conduct the Community Service Work Program, are transferred to the Department of Correction, Division of Adult Probation and Parole.
- (e) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, Division of Victim and Justice Services, to conduct the Crime Victims Compensation Program, are transferred to the Administrative Office of the Courts.
- (f) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Alcohol Law Enforcement Division of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety are transferred to the Department of Justice.
- (g) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Emergency Management Division of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety are transferred to the Office of Public Safety in the Office of the Governor.
- (h) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the National Guard Division of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety are transferred to the Office of Public Safety in the Office of the Governor.

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- (i) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Civil Air Patrol Division of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety are transferred to the Office of Public Safety in the Office of the Governor.
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- (i) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel, property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the
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- functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Governor's Crime Commission of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety are transferred to the Office of Public Safety in the Office of the Governor. (k) The statutory authority, powers, duties, and functions, records, personnel,
- property, unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations or other funds, including the functions of budgeting and purchasing, of the Butner Public Safety Division of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety are transferred to the Office of Public Safety in the Office of the Governor.
- (1) G.S. 143B-475.1 is recodified as G.S. 143B-264.1. The Revisor of Statutes shall change any reference in that section to "Crime Control and Public Safety" to "Correction".
- (m) Part 3A of Article 11 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes, G.S. 143B-480.1 through G.S. 143B-480.3, is recodified as Subchapter XIV, Article 62 of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes, G.S. 7A-778 through G.S. 7A-780. The Revisor of Statutes shall change any reference to "Department of Crime Control and Public Safety" to "Administrative Office of the Courts" and any reference to "Secretary" to "Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts".
- (n) Chapter 147 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new Article 3C to be entitled "Office of Public Safety".
- (o) Part 5A of Article 11 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes, G.S. 143B-495 through G.S. 143B-499.6, is recodified as Part 1 of Article 3C of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes, G.S. 147-33.30 through G.S. 147-33.40. The Revisor of Statutes shall change any reference to "Department of Crime Control and Public Safety" to "Office of Public Safety"and shall change any reference to "Secretary"or "Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety"to "Director of the Office of Public Safety".
- (p) Part 5 of Article 11 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes, G.S. 143B-490 through G.S. 143B-492, is recodified as Part 2 of Article 3C of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes, G.S. 147-33.45 through G.S. 147-33.47. The Revisor of Statutes shall change any reference to "Department of Crime Control and Public Safety" to "Office of Public Safety"and shall change any reference to "Secretary"to "Director of the Office of Public Safety".
- (q) Part 3 of Article 11 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes, G.S. 143B-478 through G.S. 143B-480, is recodified as Part 3 of Article 3C of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes, G.S. 147-33.50 through G.S. 147-33.52.
- (r) Article 11 of Chapter 143B is repealed, and the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety is abolished.

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- The Revisor of Statutes shall change any reference to "Department of Crime Control and Public Safety" to "Department of Justice" and any references to "Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety"to "Attorney General"whenever they appear in each of the following sections of the General Statutes:
 - G.S. 18B-101. Definitions. **(1)**
 - (2) G.S. 18B-500. Alcohol law-enforcement agents.
 - G.S. 20-39. Administering and enforcing law; rules and regulations; (3) agents, etc.; seal; fees; licenses and plates for undercover officers.
 - **(4)** G.S. 105-259. Secrecy required of officials; penalty for violation.
 - (t) The Revisor of Statutes shall change any references to "Crime Control and Public Safety", "Department of Crime Control and Public Safety", or "Department"to "Office of Public Safety" and any references to "Secretary" or "Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety"to "Director of the Office of Public Safety"whenever they appear in each of the following sections of the General Statutes:
 - G.S. 7A-289.13. Legislative intent. (1)
 - (2) G.S. 8-50.2. Results of speed-measuring instruments; admissibility.
 - G.S. 17C-6. Powers of Commission. (3)
 - **(4)** G.S. 20-184. Patrol under supervision of Department of Crime Control and Public Safety.
 - G.S. 20-185. Personnel; appointment; salaries. (5)
 - (6) G.S. 20-186. Oath of office.
 - G.S. 20-187. Orders and rules for organization and conduct. **(7)**
 - (8) G.S. 20-187.1. Awards.
 - G.S. 20-187.3. Quotas prohibited. (9)
 - (10)G.S. 20-188. Duties of Highway Patrol.
 - G.S. 20-189. Patrolmen assigned to Governor's office. (11)
 - G.S. 20-190. Uniforms; motor vehicles and arms; expense incurred; (12)color of vehicle.
 - G.S. 20-191. Use of facilities. (13)
 - G.S. 20-192. Shifting of patrolmen from one district to another. (14)
 - G.S. 20-195. Cooperation between patrol and local officers. (15)
 - (16)G.S. 20-196. Statewide radio system authorized; use of telephone lines in emergencies.
 - G.S. 20-196.3. Who may hold supervisory positions over uniformed (17)personnel.
 - G.S. 66-165. Permits required. (18)
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- 39 G.S. 104E-8. Radiation Protection Commission – Members; selections; (21) 40 removal; compensation; quorum; services.
 - G.S. 122C-408. Butner Public Safety Division of the Department of (22)Crime Control and Public Safety; jurisdiction; fire and police district.

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- 1 (23) G.S. 122C-409. Community of Butner comprehensive emergency management plan.
 - (24) G.S. 122C-411. Fire protection contracts.
 - (25) G.S. 127A-17.1. Confidentiality of national guard records.
 - (26) G.S. 127A-20. Administrative and operational relationships of the Adjutant General.
 - (27) G.S. 127A-80. Authority to organize and maintain State defense militia of North Carolina.
 - (28) G.S. 127A-81. State defense militia cadre.
 - (29) G.S. 127A-107. Rate of pay for other service.
 - (30) G.S. 127A-139. Allowance made to different organizations and personnel.
 - (31) G.S. 127A-162. Authority to foster development of armories and facilities.
 - (32) G.S. 127A-163. Powers of Department specified.
 - (33) G.S. 127A-164. Power to acquire land, make contracts, etc.
 - (34) G.S. 143B-181. Governor's Advisory Council on Aging members; selection; quorum; compensation.
 - (35) G.S 143B-478, as recodified as G.S. 147-33.50 by Section 17 of this act. Governor's Crime Commission creation; composition; terms; meetings, etc.
 - (36) G.S. 143B-479, as recodified as G.S. 147-33.51 by Section 17 of this act. Governor's Crime commission powers and duties.
 - (37) G.S. 164-37. Membership; chairman; meetings; quorum.
 - (38) G.S. 166A-5. State emergency management.
 - (39) G.S. 166A-6. State of disaster.
 - (40) G.S. 166A-6.1. Emergency planning; charge.
 - (41) G.S. 166A-21. Definitions.
 - (42) G.S. 166A-22. Hazardous materials emergency response program.
 - (43) G.S. 166A-23. Contracts; equipment loans.
 - (44) G.S. 166A-26. Regional Response Team Advisory Committee.
 - (45) G.S. 166A-27. Action for the recovery of costs of hazardous materials emergency response.
 - (46) G.S. 166A-28. Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Fund.
 - (u) The Revisor of Statutes shall delete any references to "the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety", "Secretary of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety", "Department of Crime Control and Public Safety", or "Crime Control and Public Safety", and delete any extraneous punctuation, whenever these references appear in the following sections of the General Statutes:
 - (1) G.S. 58-78-1. State Fire and Rescue Commission created: membership.
 - (2) G.S. 126-5. Employees subject to Chapter; exemptions.
 - (3) G.S. 127A-35. Elimination and disposition of officers; efficiency board; transfer to inactive status.

G.S. 127A-42. Distinguished Service Medal by Governor of North **(4)** 1 2 Carolina 3 (5) G.S. 143-341. Powers and duties of Department. G.S. 143B-2. Interim applicability of the Executive Organization Act of 4 (6) 5 6 G.S. 143B-417. North Carolina Internship Council – creation; powers (7) 7 and duties. G.S. 143B-426.22. Governor's Management Council. 8 (8) 9 (v) G.S. 7A-343.1 reads as rewritten: 10 "§ 7A-343.1. Distribution of copies of the appellate division reports. The Administrative Officer of the Courts shall, at the State's expense distribute such 11 12 number of copies of the appellate division reports to federal, State departments and agencies, and to educational institutions of instruction, as follows: 13 14 Governor, Office of the 1 15 Lieutenant Governor, Office of the 1 Secretary of State, Department of the 2 16 17 State Auditor, Department of the 1 18 Treasurer, Department of the State 1 Superintendent of Public Instruction 19 1 20 Office of the Attorney General 11 21 State Bureau of Investigation 1 Agriculture, Department of 22 23 Labor, Department of 24 Insurance, Department of 1 Budget Bureau, Department of Administration 25 Property Control, Department of Administration 26 27 State Planning, Department of Administration Board of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources 28 29 Revenue, Department of 1 30 Board of Human Resources Commission for the Blind 31 32 Board of Transportation 33 Motor Vehicles, Division of 1 **Utilities Commission** 8 34 35 **Industrial Commission** 11 Office of Administrative Hearings 2 36 Community Colleges, Department of 38 37 38 **Employment Security Commission** 1 39 Commission of Correction 1 **Parole Commission**

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21	University of North Carolina, Asheville	1
22	North Carolina State University, Raleigh	1
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30	Wake Forest University	25
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33	Campbell College University	25
34	Federal, Out-of-State and Foreign	
35	Secretary of State	1
36	Secretary of Defense	1
37	Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare	
38	Secretary of Housing and Urban Development	I 1
39	Secretary of Transportation	1
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4	Federal District Attorneys resident		
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Each justice of the Supreme Court and judge of the Court of Appeals shall receive for his private use, one complete and up-to-date set of the appellate division reports. The copies of reports furnished each justice or judge as set out in the table above may be retained by him personally to enable him to keep up-to-date his personal set of reports."

(w) G.S. 14-86.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-86.1. Seizure and forfeiture of conveyances used in committing larceny and similar crimes.

- (a) All conveyances, including vehicles, watercraft or aircraft, used to unlawfully conceal, convey or transport property in violation of G.S. 14-71, 14-71.1, or 20-106, or used by any person in the commission of armed or common-law robbery, or used by any person in the commission of any larceny when the value of the property taken is more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) shall be subject to forfeiture as provided herein, except that:
 - (1) No conveyance used by any person as a common carrier in the transaction of the business of the common carrier shall be forfeited under the provisions of this section unless it shall appear that the owner or other person in custody or control of such conveyance was a consenting party or privy to a violation that may subject the conveyance to forfeiture under this section;
 - (2) No conveyance shall be forfeited under the provisions of this section by reason of any act or omission committed or omitted while such conveyance was unlawfully in the possession of a person other than the owner in violation of the criminal laws of the United States, or any state;
 - (3) No conveyance shall be forfeited pursuant to this section unless the violation involved is a felony;
 - (4) A forfeiture of a conveyance encumbered by a bona fide security interest is subject to the interest of the secured party who neither had knowledge of nor consented to the act or omission;
 - (5) No conveyance shall be forfeited under the provisions of this section unless the owner knew or had reason to believe the vehicle was being used in the commission of any violation that may subject the conveyance to forfeiture under this section;
 - (6) The trial judge in the criminal proceeding which may subject the conveyance to forfeiture may order the seized conveyance returned to

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41 42 43 the owner if he finds forfeiture inappropriate. If the conveyance is not returned to the owner the procedures provided in subsection (e) shall apply.

- Any conveyance subject to forfeiture under this section may be seized by any law-enforcement officer upon process issued by any district or superior court having original jurisdiction over the offense except that seizure without such process may be made when:
 - (1) The seizure is incident to an arrest or subject to a search under a search warrant; or
 - (2) The property subject to seizure has been the subject of a prior judgment in favor of the State in a criminal injunction or forfeiture proceeding under this section.
- (c) The conveyance shall be deemed to be in custody of the law-enforcement agency seizing it. The law-enforcement agency may remove the property to a place designated by it or request that the North Carolina Department of Justice or Department of Crime Control and Public Safety take custody of the property and remove it to an appropriate location for disposition in accordance with law; provided, the conveyance shall be returned to the owner upon execution by him of a good and valid bond, with sufficient sureties, in a sum double the value of the property, which said bond shall be approved by an officer of the agency seizing the conveyance and shall be conditioned upon the return of said property to the custody of said officer on the day of trial to abide the judgment of the court.
- Whenever a conveyance is forfeited under this section, the law-enforcement agency having custody of it may:
 - Retain the conveyance for official use; or (1)
 - Transfer the conveyance which was forfeited under the provisions of (2) this section to the North Carolina Department of Justice or to the North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety when, in the discretion of the presiding judge and upon application of the North Carolina Department of Justice or the North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, Justice, said conveyance may be of official use to the North Carolina Department of Justice Justice; or the North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety; or
 - Upon determination by the director of any law-enforcement agency that (3) a conveyance transferred pursuant to the provisions of this section is of no further use to said agency, such conveyance may be sold as surplus property in the same manner as other conveyances owned by the lawenforcement agency. The proceeds from such sale, after deducting the cost thereof, shall be paid to the school fund of the county in which said conveyance was seized. Any conveyance transferred to any lawenforcement agency under the provisions of this section which has been modified or especially equipped from its original manufactured condition so as to increase its speed shall be used in the performance of

official duties only. Such conveyance shall not be resold, transferred or disposed of other than as junk unless the special equipment or modification has been removed and destroyed, and the vehicle restored to its original manufactured condition.

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- All conveyances subject to forfeiture under the provisions of this section shall be forfeited pursuant to the procedures for forfeiture of conveyances used to conceal, convey, or transport intoxicating beverages found in G.S. 18B-504. Provided, nothing in this section or G.S. 18B-504 shall be construed to require a conveyance to be sold when it can be used in the performance of official duties of the law-enforcement agency."

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(x) G.S. 15B-3 reads as rewritten:

"§ 15B-3. Crime Victims Compensation Commission.

- 12 13 Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, Administrative Office of the Courts, 14
 - consisting of five members as follows: (1) One member to be appointed by the Governor;

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One member to be appointed by the General Assembly upon the (2) recommendation of the President of the Senate under G.S. 120-121;

There is established the Crime Victims Compensation Commission of the

19 20 (3) One member to be appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives under G.S. 120-121;

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(4) The Attorney General or his designee; and

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The Secretary of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety (5) Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts or his designee.

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Members shall serve terms of four years. A member shall continue to serve (b) until his successor is duly appointed, but a holdover under this provision does not affect the expiration date of the succeeding term.

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In case of a vacancy on the Commission before the expiration of a member's (c) term, a successor shall be appointed within 30 days of the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term by the appropriate official pursuant to subsection (a). Vacancies in legislative appointments shall be filled under G.S. 120-122.

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The Commission shall elect one of its members as chairman to serve until the (d) expiration of his term.

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A majority of the Commission constitutes a quorum to transact business.

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Members shall receive compensation and reimbursement for expenses as (f) provided in G.S. 138-5.

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The Commission shall name a Director upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety. Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts. The Director shall serve at the pleasure of the Commission. The Department of Crime Control and Public Safety-Administrative Office of the Courts shall provide for the compensation of the Director and shall provide professional and clerical staff necessary for the work of the Commission."

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(y) G.S. 15B-6 reads as rewritten:

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"§ 15B-6. Powers of the Commission and Director.

- GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA In addition to powers authorized by this Chapter and Chapter 150B, the 1 2 Commission may: 3 **(1)** Adopt rules in accordance with Part 3, Article 1 of Chapter 143B and 4 Article 2 of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes necessary to carry out 5 the purposes of this Chapter; 6 (2) Establish general policies and guidelines for awarding compensation 7 and provide guidance to the staff assigned by the Secretary of the 8 Department of Crime Control and Public Safety Director of the 9 Administrative Office of the Courts to administer the program; 10 (3) Accept for any lawful purpose and functions under this Chapter any and all donations, both real and personal, and grants of money from any 11 12 governmental unit or public agency, or from any institution, person, 13 firm, or corporation, and may deposit the same to the Crime Victims 14 Compensation Fund. 15 (b) The Director shall have the following authority: With the consent of the district attorney, to request that law enforcement 16 (1) officers employed by the State or any political subdivision provide 17 18 copies of any information or data gathered in the investigation of criminally injurious conduct that is the basis of any claim to enable the 19 20 Director or Commission to determine whether, and the extent to which, 21 a claimant qualifies for an award of compensation; With the consent of the district attorney, to request that prosecuting 22 (2) 23 24 25 26
 - attorneys, law enforcement officers, and State agencies conduct investigations and provide information necessary to enable the Director or Commission to determine whether, and the extent to which, a claimant qualifies for an award of compensation; and (3) To require the claimant to supplement the application for an award of
 - compensation with any reasonably available medical or psychological reports pertaining to the injury for which the award of compensation is claimed.

Information obtained pursuant to this subsection is subject to the same privilege against public disclosure that may be asserted by the providing source."

(z) G.S. 17C-3 reads as rewritten:

"§ 17C-3. North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission established; members; terms; vacancies.

- There is established the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, hereinafter called 'the Commission,' in the Department of Justice. The Commission shall be composed of 26-25 members as follows:
 - Police Chiefs. Three police chiefs selected by the North Carolina (1) Association of Chiefs of Police and one police chief appointed by the Governor.
 - (2) Police Officers. – Three police officials appointed by the North Carolina Police Executives Association and two criminal justice officers certified

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- by the Commission as selected by the North Carolina Law-Enforcement Officers' Association.
 - (3) Departments. The Attorney General of the State of North Carolina; the Secretary of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety; the Secretary of the Department of Human Resources; the Secretary of the Department of Correction; the President of the Department of Community Colleges.
 - (4) At-large Groups. One individual representing and appointed by each of the following organizations: one mayor selected by the League of Municipalities; one law-enforcement training officer selected by the North Carolina Law-Enforcement Training Officers' Association; one criminal justice professional selected by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Association; one sworn law-enforcement officer selected by the North State Law-Enforcement Officers' Association; one member selected by the North Carolina Law-Enforcement Women's Association; and one District Attorney selected by the North Carolina Association of District Attorneys.
 - Citizens and Others. The President of The University of North Carolina; the Director of the Institute of Government; and two citizens, one of whom shall be selected by the Governor and one of whom shall be selected by the Attorney General. The General Assembly shall appoint two persons, one upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one upon the recommendation of the President of the Senate. Appointments by the General Assembly shall be made in accordance with G.S. 120-122. Appointments by the General Assembly shall serve two-year terms to conclude on June 30th in odd-numbered years.
 - (b) The members shall be appointed for staggered terms. The initial appointments shall be made prior to September 1, 1983, and the appointees shall hold office until July 1 of the year in which their respective terms expire and until their successors are appointed and qualified as provided hereafter:

For the terms of one year: one member from subdivision (1) of subsection (a), serving as a police chief; three members from subdivision (2) of subsection (a), one serving as a police official, and two criminal justice officers; one member from subdivision (4) of subsection (a), appointed by the North Carolina Law-Enforcement Training Officers' Association; and two members from subdivision (5) of subsection (a), one appointed by the Governor and one appointed by the Attorney General.

For the terms of two years: one member from subdivision (1) of subsection (a), serving as a police chief; one member from subdivision (2) of subsection (a), serving as a police official; and two members from subdivision (4) of subsection (a), one appointed by the League of Municipalities and one appointed by the North Carolina Association of District Attorneys.

For the terms of three years: two members from subdivision (1) of subsection (a), one police chief appointed by the North Carolina Association of Chiefs of Police and one police chief appointed by the Governor; one member from subdivision (2) of subsection (a), serving as a police official; and three members from subdivision (4) of subsection (a), one appointed by the North Carolina Law-Enforcement Women's Association, one appointed by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Association, and one appointed by the North State Law-Enforcement Officers' Association.

Thereafter, as the term of each member expires, his successor shall be appointed for a term of three years. Notwithstanding the appointments for a term of years, each member shall serve at the will of the appointing authority.

The Attorney General, the Secretary of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, the Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, the Secretary of the Department of Correction, the President of The University of North Carolina, the Director of the Institute of Government, and the President of the Department of Community Colleges shall be continuing members of the Commission during their tenure. These members of the Commission shall serve ex officio and shall perform their duties on the Commission in addition to the other duties of their offices. The ex officio members may elect to serve personally at any or all meetings of the Commission or may designate, in writing, one member of their respective office, department, university or agency to represent and vote for them on the Commission at all meetings the ex officio members are unable to attend.

Vacancies in the Commission occurring for any reason shall be filled, for the unexpired term, by the authority making the original appointment of the person causing the vacancy. A vacancy may be created by removal of a Commission member by majority vote of the Commission for misconduct, incompetence, or neglect of duty. A Commission member may be removed only pursuant to a hearing, after notice, at which the member subject to removal has an opportunity to be heard."

(aa) G.S. 18B-110 reads as rewritten:

"§ 18B-110. Emergency.

When the Governor finds that a 'state of emergency,' as defined in G.S. 14-288.1, exists anywhere in this State, he may

- (1) Order the closing of all ABC stores, and
- (2) Order the cessation of all sales, transportation, manufacture, and bottling of alcoholic beverages.

The Governor's order shall apply in those portions of the State designated in the order, for the duration of the state of emergency. Any order by the Governor under this section shall be directed to the Chairman of the Commission. and to the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety."

- (bb) G.S. 20-79.5(a) reads as rewritten:
- "(a) Plates. The State government officials listed in this section are eligible for a special registration plate under G.S. 20-79.4. The plate shall bear the number designated in the following table for the position held by the official.

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6	Secretary of State				5
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13	Commissioner of Insura	nce			12
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	type approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.							
	The operators of all such vehicles so equipped are hereby authorized to use such							
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within their respective corporate limits and beyond.

In addition to the use of special equipment authorized and required by this subsection, the chief and assistant chiefs of any police department or of any fire department, whether the same be municipal or rural, paid or voluntary, county fire marshals, assistant fire marshals, transplant coordinators, and emergency management coordinators, are hereby authorized to use such special equipment on privately owned vehicles operated by them

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while actually engaged in the performance of their official or semiofficial duties or services either within or beyond their respective corporate limits.

And Any vehicles driven by law enforcement officers of the North Carolina Division

And Any vehicles driven by law enforcement officers of the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles shall be equipped with a bell, siren, or exhaust whistle of a type approved by the Commissioner, and all vehicles owned and operated by the State Bureau of Investigation for the use of its agents and officers in the performance of their official duties may be equipped with special lights, bells, sirens, horns or exhaust whistles of a type approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

Every vehicle used or operated for law enforcement purposes by the sheriff or any salaried deputy sheriff or salaried rural policeman of any county, whether owned by the county or not, may be, but is not required to be, equipped with special lights, bells, sirens, horns or exhaust whistles of a type approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. Such special equipment shall not be operated or activated by any person except by a law enforcement officer while actively engaged in performing law enforcement duties.

In addition to the use of special equipment authorized and required by this subsection, the chief and assistant chiefs of each emergency rescue squad which is recognized or sponsored by any municipality or civil preparedness agency, are hereby authorized to use such special equipment on privately owned vehicles operated by them while actually engaged in their official or semiofficial duties or services either within or beyond the corporate limits of the municipality which recognizes or sponsors such organization."

(dd) G.S. 20-179.4 reads as rewritten:

"§ 20-179.4. Community service alternative punishment; responsibilities of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety; Correction; fee.

- (a) The Department of Crime Control and Public Safety Correction must conduct a community service alternative punishment program for persons sentenced under G.S. 20-179(i), (j) or (k).
- (b) The Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety Correction must assign at least one coordinator to each district court district as defined in G.S. 7A-133 to assure and report to the court the person's compliance with the community service sentence. The appointment of each coordinator shall be made in consultation with and is subject to the approval of the chief district court judge in the district to which the coordinator is assigned. Each county must provide office space in the courthouse or other convenient place, necessary equipment, and secretarial service for the use of each coordinator assigned to that county.
- (c) A fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) must be paid by all persons serving a community service sentence. That fee must be paid to the clerk of court in the county in which the person is convicted. The fee must be paid in full within two weeks unless the court, upon a showing of hardship by the person, allows him additional time to pay the fee. The person may not be required to pay the fee before he begins the community service unless the court specifically orders that he do so. If the person is also ordered to attend an Alcohol and Drug Education Traffic School established pursuant to G.S. 20-179.2, the fee for supervision of community service punishment is fifty dollars (\$50.00).
 - (d) Fees collected under this section must be deposited in the general fund.

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(e) The coordinator must report to the court in which the community service was ordered a significant violation of the terms of the probation judgment related to community service. In such cases, the court must conduct a hearing to determine if there is a willful failure to comply. If the court determines there is a willful failure to pay the prescribed fee or to complete the work as ordered by the coordinator within the applicable time limits, the court must revoke any limited driving privilege issued in the impaired driving case, and in addition may take any further action authorized by Article 82 of General Statutes Chapter 15A for violation of a condition of probation."

(ee) G.S. 58-32-1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 58-32-1. Commission created; membership.

There is hereby created within the Department a Public Officers and Employees Liability Insurance Commission. The Commission shall consist of 11–10 members who shall be appointed as follows: the Commissioner shall appoint six members as follows: two members who are members of the insurance industry who may be chosen from a list of three nominees submitted to the Commissioner by the Independent Insurance Agents of North Carolina, Inc., and a list of three nominees submitted by the Carolinas Association of Professional Insurance Agents, North Carolina Division; one member who is employed by a police department who may be chosen from a list of three nominees submitted to the Commissioner jointly by the North Carolina Police Chiefs Association and North Carolina Police Executives Association, and one member who is employed by a sheriff's department who may be chosen from a list of three nominees submitted to the Commissioner by the North Carolina Sheriff's Association; one member representing city government who may be chosen from a list of three nominees submitted to the Commissioner by the North Carolina League of Municipalities; and one member representing county government who may be chosen from a list of three nominees submitted to the Commissioner by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners; and the General Assembly shall appoint two persons, one upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and one upon the recommendation of the President of the Senate. The Commissioner or his designate shall be an ex officio member. Appointments by the General Assembly shall be made in accordance with G.S. 120-121, and vacancies in those appointments shall be filled in accordance with G.S. 120-122. The terms of the initial appointees by the General Assembly shall expire on June 30, 1983. The Secretary of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety or his designate shall be an ex officio member. The Attorney General or his designate shall be an ex officio member. One insurance industry member appointed by the Commissioner shall be appointed to a term of two years and one insurance industry member shall be appointed to a term of four years. The police department member shall be appointed to a term of two years and the sheriff's department member shall be appointed to a term of four years. The representative of county government shall be appointed to a term of two years and the representative of city government to a term of four years. Beginning July 1, 1983, the appointment made by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker shall be for two years, and the appointment made by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President of the Senate shall be for four years. Except as provided in this section, if any vacancy occurs in the membership of the Commission, the appointing authority shall appoint another person to fill the unexpired term of the vacating member. After the initial terms established herein have expired, all appointees to the Commission shall be appointed to terms of four years.

The Commission members shall elect the chairman and vice-chairman of the Commission. The Commission may, by majority vote, remove any member of the Commission for chronic absenteeism, misfeasance, malfeasance or other good cause."

(ff) G.S. 127A-19 reads as rewritten:

"§ 127A-19. Adjutant General.

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 The military head of the militia shall be the Adjutant General who shall hold the rank of major general. The Adjutant General shall be appointed by the Governor in his capacity as commander in chief of the militia, in consultation with the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety, militia, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. No person shall be appointed as Adjutant General who has less than five years' commissioned service in an active status in any component of the armed forces of the United States. The Adjutant General, while holding such office, may be a member of the active national guard or naval militia.

Subject to the approval of the Governor Governor, and in consultation with the Secretary, Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, the Adjutant General may appoint a deputy adjutant general for army national guard and an assistant adjutant general for air national guard, both of whom may hold the rank of brigadier general and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Adjutant General may also employ such staff members and other personnel as may be authorized by the Secretary and funded."

(gg) G.S. 127A-21(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) The Governor of the State, State in consultation with the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety, shall appoint, designate, or detail, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Army and the Secretary of the Air Force, a qualified commissioned officer of the North Carolina national guard who is also a commissioned officer of the army national guard of the United States or the air national guard of the United States, as the case may be, to be the United States property and fiscal officer for North Carolina. If the officer is not on active duty, the President may order him to active duty, with his consent, to serve as a property and fiscal officer."

(hh) G.S. 127A-22 reads as rewritten:

"§ 127A-22. North Carolina property and fiscal officer.

(a) Upon full mobilization of the North Carolina national guard into federal service to the extent that the functions of a United States property and fiscal officer no longer exist or are authorized under federal statutes, the Governor of the State, State in consultation with the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety, may appoint, designate or detail a qualified individual to serve at the pleasure of the Governor as the North Carolina property and fiscal officer for any composition of a nonfederally

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recognized State national guard or State defense militia organized under the provisions of G.S. 127A-1 et seq.

- (b) In consideration of his services for the responsibility, care, utilization, and issue of State or federal facilities and property, under the jurisdiction of the State of North Carolina, the North Carolina property and fiscal officer shall receive from the State such salary as the Governor may authorize to be just and proper; the salary to constitute a charge upon appropriations made to the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety. Office of the Governor.
- (c) The property and fiscal officer for North Carolina shall be an employee of the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety. Office of the Governor. He shall be required to give good and sufficient bond to the State, the amount thereof to be determined by the Governor, for the faithful performance of his duties and for the safekeeping and proper distribution of such funds and property entrusted to his care. He shall receipt for and account for all funds and property allotted to his custody from the appropriation for military purposes by State and federal agencies, and shall make such returns and reports through the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety Office of the Governor concerning same as may be required by the Governor or State laws."
 - (ii) G.S. 127A-40(f) reads as rewritten:
- The Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety Director of the Office of ''(f)Public Safety shall determine the eligibility of guard members for the benefits herein provided and shall certify those eligible to the State Treasurer. In addition, the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety Office of Public Safety shall, on and after July 1, 1983, 1995, provide the Department of State Treasurer with an annual census population, by age and the number of years of creditable service, for all former members of the National Guard in receipt of a pension as well as for all active members of the National Guard who are not in receipt of a pension and who have seven and more years of creditable service. The Department of Crime Control and Public Safety Office of Public Safety shall also provide the State Treasurer a census population of all former members of the National Guard who are not in receipt of a pension and who have 15 and more years of creditable service. The Department of State Treasurer shall make pension payments to those persons certified from the North Carolina National Guard Pension Fund, which shall include general fund appropriations made to and transferred from the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety. Office of Public Safety. The Department of State Treasurer shall have performed an annual actuarial valuation of the fund and shall have the financial responsibility for maintaining the fund on a generally accepted actuarial basis. The Department of Crime Control and Public Safety Office of Public Safety shall provide the Department of State Treasurer with whatever assistance is required by the State Treasurer in carrying out his financial responsibilities."
 - (jj) G.S. 127A-43 reads as rewritten:

"§ 127A-43. North Carolina National Guard Meritorious Service Medal.

There is hereby created the North Carolina National Guard Meritorious Service Medal which shall be of appropriate design, and a ribbon, together with a rosette or other device to be worn in lieu thereof. This medal and appurtenances thereto shall be of a design

approved by the Governor or his designated representative. The Governor or his 1 2 designated representative is authorized to award this medal upon the recommendation of 3 the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety in consultation with the Adjutant 4 General and a board of officers appointed by the Adjutant General. Any member or 5 former member of the armed forces discharged under honorable conditions, who has 6 distinguished himself by heroism, meritorious achievement, or meritorious service to the 7 North Carolina national guard, is eligible for this award. The Governor, on his own 8 authority, may award such medal to the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety, the 9 Adjutant General or any other active or inactive general officer of the armed forces who 10 has distinguished himself by heroism, meritorious achievement, or meritorious service to the North Carolina national guard. The required heroism, achievement, or service, while 11 12 of a lesser degree than that required for awarding of the North Carolina Distinguished 13 Service Medal, must nevertheless be accomplished with distinction."

(kk) G.S. 127A-161 reads as rewritten:

"§ 127A-161. Definitions.

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As used in this Article, the following terms mean:

- (1) Armory: Any building or building complex and related facilities, including the lands for them, which are intended to be utilized by the militia for training, administration, storage, and the maintenance and servicing of equipment.
- (2) Armory site: That land, meeting federal and State specifications, upon which an armory may be constructed.
- (3) Department: The North Carolina Department of Crime Control and Public Safety.
- (4) Facilities: Those adjuncts to an armory, including but not limited to yards, storage buildings, sheds, ramps, racks, target ranges, furniture, fixtures and other equipment and installations.
- (5) Funds: Any moneys appropriated by any municipality, county, the State or the United States government and made available for the purpose of acquiring armory sites or constructing or repairing any armory, warehouse, or other facility for the use of any unit or for any other purpose in connection with the housing, training, instruction or promotion of the interest of any unit.
- (6) Municipality: Any incorporated city, town or village.
- (7) Unit: Any organizational entity of the militia."
- (II) G.S. 127A-192 reads as rewritten:

"§ 127A-192. Definitions.

- (a) 'Business or Trade School'. Any school within the State of North Carolina which is licensed by the State Board of Education and listed by that Board as an approved private business school or an approved private trade school.
- (b) 'Private Educational Institutions'. Any junior college, senior college or university which is operated and governed by private interests not under the control of the federal, State or any local government, which is located within and licensed by the State

of North Carolina, which does not operate for profit, whose curriculum is primarily directed toward the awarding of associate, baccalaureate or graduate degrees, which agrees to the applicable administration and funding provisions of this Article.

- (c) 'Secretary'. The Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety or his designee.
- (d) 'State Educational Institutions'. Any of the constituent institutions of the University of North Carolina, or any community college operated under the provisions of Chapter 115D of the General Statutes of North Carolina.
- (e) 'Academic Year'. Any period of 365 days beginning with the first day of enrollment for a course of instruction."
 - (mm) G.S. 127A-195 reads as rewritten:

"§ 127A-195. Administration and funding.

- (a) The Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety Director of the Office of Public Safety is charged with the administration of the tuition assistance program under this Article. He may delegate administrative tasks to other persons within the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety as he deems best for the orderly administration of this program.
- (b) The Secretary Director of the Office of Public Safety shall determine the eligibility of applicants, select the benefit recipients, establish the effective date of the benefit, and may suspend or revoke the benefit if he finds that the recipient does not maintain an adequate academic status, or if the recipient engages in riots, unlawful demonstrations, the seizure of educational buildings, or otherwise engages in disorderly conduct, breaches of the peace, or unlawful assemblies. The Secretary Director of the Office of Public Safety shall maintain such records and shall promulgate such rules and regulations as he deems necessary for the orderly administration of this program. The Secretary Director of the Office of Public Safety may require of business or trade schools or State or private educational institutions such reports and other information as he may need to carry out the provisions of this Article and he shall disburse benefit payments for recipients upon certification of enrollment by the enrolling institutions.
- (c) All benefit disbursements shall be made to the business or trade school or State or private educational institution concerned, for credit to the tuition account of each recipient.
- (d) The participation by any business or trade school or private educational institution in this program shall be subject to the applicable provisions of this Article and to examination by the State Auditor of the accounts of the benefit recipients attending or having attended such private schools or institutions. The Secretary-Director of the Office of Public Safety may defer making an award or may suspend an award in any business or trade school or private educational institution which does not comply with the provisions of this Article relating to said institutions. The manner of payment to any business or trade school or private educational institution shall be as prescribed by the Secretary. Director of the Office of Public Safety.
- (e) Irrespective of other provisions of this Article, the Secretary Director of the Office of Public Safety may prescribe special procedures for adjusting the accounts of

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benefit recipients who, for reasons of illness, physical inability to attend classes or for other valid reason satisfactory to the Secretary, Director of the Office of Public Safety, may withdraw from any business or trade school or State or private educational institution prior to the completion of the term, semester, quarter or other academic period being attended at the time of withdrawal."

(nn) G.S. 143-166.13(a) reads as rewritten:

"§ 143-166.13. Persons entitled to benefits under Article.

- (a) The following persons who are subject to the Criminal Justice Training and Standards Act are entitled to benefits under this Article:
 - (1) State Government Security Officers, Department of Administration;
 - (2) State Correctional Officers, Department of Corrections; Correction;
 - (3) State Probation and Parole Officers, Department of Corrections; Correction;
 - (4) Sworn State Law-Enforcement Officers with the power of arrest, Department of Correction; Correction;
 - (5) Alcohol Law-Enforcement Agents, Department of Crime Control and Public Safety; Department of Justice;
 - (6) State Highway Patrol Officers, Department of Crime Control and Public Safety; Office of Public Safety;
 - (7) State Legislative Building Special Police, General Assembly;
 - (8) Sworn State Law-Enforcement Officers with the power of arrest, Department of Human Resources;
 - (9) Youth Correctional Officers, Department of Human Resources;
 - (10) Insurance Investigators, Department of Insurance;
 - (11) State Bureau of Investigation Officers and Agents, Department of Justice;
 - (12) Director and Assistant Director, License and Theft Enforcement Section, Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation;
 - (13) Members of License and Theft Enforcement Section, Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation, designated by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles as either 'inspectors' or uniformed weigh station personnel;
 - (14) Utilities Commission Transportation Inspectors and Special Investigators;
 - (15) North Carolina Ports Authority Police, Department of Commerce;
 - (16) Sworn State Law-Enforcement Officers with the power of arrest, Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources;
 - (17) Sworn State Law-Enforcement Officers with the power of arrest, Department of Crime Control and Public Safety. Office of Public Safety."
 - (oo) G.S. 143-215.93A(a) reads as rewritten:
- "(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a person is not liable under this Part, Part 2C of this Article, Articles 21 and 21B of this Chapter, other provisions of

the General Statutes relating to protection of the environment or public health, Chapter 1 2 1B of the General Statutes, or common law causes of action in tort for removal costs or 3 damages which result from, arise out of, or are related to the discharge or threatened 4 discharge of oil, when such removal costs or damages result from acts or omissions in the 5 course of rendering care, assistance, or advice consistent with the National Contingency 6 Plan or as otherwise directed by the President of the United States, the Federal On-Scene Coordinator, the Governor, the Secretary, the Secretary of Crime Control and Public 7 8 Safety, or any person designated to direct oil discharge removal activities by the 9 President of the United States, the Governor, the Secretary, or the Secretary of Crime 10 Control and Public Safety. or the Secretary."

- (pp) Article 19 of Chapter 143A of the General Statutes is repealed.
- (qq) G.S. 143B-6 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143B-6. Principal departments.

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In addition to the principal departments enumerated in the Executive Organization Act of 1971, all executive and administrative powers, duties, and functions not including those of the General Assembly and its agencies, the General Court of Justice and the administrative agencies created pursuant to Article IV of the Constitution of North Carolina, and higher education previously vested by law in the several State agencies, are vested in the following principal departments:

- (1) Department of Cultural Resources
- (2) Department of Human Resources
- (3) Department of Revenue
- (4) Department of Crime Control and Public Safety
- (5) Department of Correction
 - (6) Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources
 - (7) Department of Transportation
 - (8) Department of Administration
 - (9) Department of Commerce
 - (10) Department of Community Colleges."
 - (rr) G.S. 147-45 reads as rewritten:

"§ 147-45. Distribution of copies of State publications.

The Secretary of State shall, at the State's expense, as soon as possible after publication, provide such number of copies of the Session Laws and Senate and House Journals to federal, State, and local governmental officials, departments and agencies, and to educational institutions of instruction and exchange use, as is set out in the table below:

37		Session	Assembly
38	Agency or Institution Laws Journals		
39	Governor, Office of the	3	2
40	North Carolina Crime Commission	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
41	Adjutant General	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>
42	Lieutenant Governor, Office of the	1	1
43	Secretary of State, Department of the	3	3

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1	Auditor, Department of the State	3	1	
2	Treasurer, Department of the State	3	1	
3	Local Government Commission	2	0	
4	State Board of Education	1	0	
5	Department of Public Instruction	3	1	
6	Controller	1	0	
7	Technical Assistance Centers	1 ea.	0	
8	Department of Community Colleges	3	1	
9	Justice, Department of			
10	Office of the Attorney General	25	3	
11	Budget Bureau (Administration)	1	0	
12	Property Control (Administration)	1	1	
13	State Bureau of Investigation	1	0	
14	Agriculture, Department of	3	1	
15	Labor, Department of	5	1	
16	Insurance, Department of	5	1	
17	Administration, Department of	1	1	
18	Budget Bureau	2	1	
19	Controller	1	0	
20	Property Control	1	0	
21	Purchase and Contract	2	0	
22	Policy and Development	1	0	
23	Veterans Affairs Commission	1	0	
24	Environment, Health, and Natural			
25	Resources, Department of	1	0	
26	Division of Environmental Management	2	0	
27	Board of Environment, Health, and			
28	Natural Resources 1 0			
29	Soil and Water Conservation Commission	1	0	
30	Wildlife Resources Commission	2	0	
31	Revenue, Department of	5	1	
32	Human Resources, Department of	3	0	
33	Board of Human Resources	1	0	
34	Health Services, Division of	3	0	
35	Mental Health, Developmental			
36	Disabilities, and Substance Abuse			
37	Services, Division of 1 0			
38	Social Services, Division of	3	0	
39	Facilities Services, Division of	1	0	
40	Youth Services, Division of	1	0	
41	Hospitals and Institutions	1 ea.	0	
42	Transportation, Department of	1	0	
43	Board of Transportation	3	0	

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1	Motor Vehicles, Division of	1	0	
2	Commerce, Department of	1	0	
3	Economic Development, Division of	2	0	
4	State Ports Authority	1	0	
5	Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission,		-	
6	North Carolina 2 0			
7	Banking Commission	2	0	
8	Utilities Commission	8	1	
9	Industrial Commission	7	0	
10	Labor Force Development Council	1	0	
11	Milk Commission	5	Θ	
12	Employment Security Commission	1	1	
13	Correction, Department of	1	0	
14	Department of Correction	<u>26</u>	0- 1	
15	Parole Commission	2	0	
16	State Prison	1	0	
17	Correctional Institutions	1 ea.	Θ	
18	Cultural Resources, Department of	1	0	
19	Archives and History, Division of	5	1	
20	State Library	5	5	
21	Publications Division	1	1	
22	Crime Control and Public Safety,			
23	Department of	2	1	
24	North Carolina Crime Commission	1	0	
25	Adjutant General	2	Θ	
26	Elections, State Board of	2 2	0	
27	Office of Administrative Hearings	2	0	
28	Legislative Branch			
29	State Senators	1 ea.	1 ea.	
30	State Representatives	1 ea.	1 ea.	
31	Principal Clerk – Senate	1	1	
32	Principal Clerk – House	1	1	
33	Reading Clerk – Senate	1	1	
34	Reading Clerk – House	1	1	
35	Sergeant at Arms – House	1	1	
36	Sergeant at Arms – Senate	1	1	
37	Enrolling Clerk	1	0	
38	Engrossing Clerk	1	0	
39	Indexer of the Laws	1	0	
40	Legislative Building Library	35	15	
41	Judicial System			
42	Justices of the Supreme Court	1 ea.	1 ea.	
43	Judges of the Court of Appeals	1 ea.	1 ea.	

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1	Judges of the Superior Court		1 ea.	0
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3	Superior Court 1 ea. 0		4	0
4	District Court Judges		1 ea.	0
5	District Attorneys		1 ea.	0
6	Clerk of the Supreme Court		1	1
7	Clerk of the Court of Appeals		1	1
8	Administrative Office of the Courts		4	1
9	Supreme Court Library		AS MANY A	AS REQUESTED
10	Colleges and Universities			
11	The University of North Carolina System			
12	Administrative Offices 3 0			
13	University of North Carolina,			
14	Chapel Hill 65 25			
15	University of North Carolina,			
16	Charlotte 3 1			
17	University of North Carolina,			
18	Greensboro 3 1			
19	University of North Carolina,			
20	Asheville 2 1			
21	University of North Carolina,			
22	Wilmington 2 1			
23	North Carolina State University,			
24	Raleigh 5 3			
25	Appalachian State University 2	1		
26	East Carolina University 3	2		
27	Elizabeth City State University	2	1	
28	Fayetteville State University 2	1		
29	North Carolina Agricultural and			
30	Technical University 2 1			
31	North Carolina Central University	5	5	
32	Western Carolina University 2	1		
33	Pembroke State University 2	1		
34	Winston-Salem State University	2	1	
35	North Carolina School of the Arts	1	1	
36	Private Institutions			
37	Duke University 6 6			
38	Davidson College 3 2			
39	Wake Forest University 5 5			
40	Lenoir Rhyne College 1 1			
41	Elon College		1	1
42	Guilford College		1	1
43	Campbell College University		5	5
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1	Wingate College	1	1		
2	Pfeiffer College	1	1		
3	Barber Scotia College	1	1		
4	Atlantic Christian Barton College	1	1		
5	Shaw University	1	1		
6	St. Augustine's College	1	1		
7	J.C. Smith University	1	1		
8	Belmont Abbey College	1	1		
9	Bennett College	1	1		
10	Catawba College	1	1		
11	Gardner-Webb College	1	1		
12	Greensboro College	1	1		
13	High Point College	1	1		
14	Livingstone College	1	1		
15	Mars Hill College	1	1		
16	Meredith College	1	1		
17	Methodist College	1	1		
18	North Carolina Wesleyan College	1	1		
19	Queens College	1	1		
20	Sacred Heart College	1	1		
21	St. Andrews Presbyterian College	1	1		
22	Salem College	1	1		
23	Warren Wilson College	1	1		
24	County and Local Officials				
25	Clerks of the Superior Court	1 ea.	1 ea.		
26	Register of Deeds	1 ea.	1 ea.		
27	Federal, Out-of-State and Foreign				
28	Secretary to the President	1	0		
29	Secretary of State	1	1		
30	Secretary of Defense	1	0		
31	Secretary of Agriculture	1	0		
32	Secretary of the Interior	1	0		
33	Secretary of Labor	1	1		
34	Secretary of Commerce	1	1		
35	Secretary of the Treasury	1	0		
36	Secretary of Health, Education		-		
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38	Secretary of Housing and Urban				
39	Development 1 0				
40	Secretary of Transportation	1	0		
41	Attorney General	1	0		
42	Postmaster General	1	0		
43	Bureau of Census	1	0		
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1	Bureau of Public Roads	1	0
2	Department of Justice	1	0
3	Department of Internal Revenue	1	0
4	Veterans' Administration	1	0
5	Farm Credit Administration	1	0
6	Securities and Exchange Commission	1	0
7	Social Security Board	1	0
8	Environmental Protection Agency	1	0
9	Library of Congress	8	2
10	Federal Judges resident in North Carolina	1 ea.	0
11	Federal District Attorneys resident in		
12	North Carolina 1 ea. 0		
13	Marshal of the United States		
14	Supreme Court 1 0		
15	Federal Clerks of Court resident		
16	in North Carolina 1 ea. 0		
17	Supreme Court Library exchange list	1 ea.	0

One copy of the Session Laws shall be furnished the head of any department of State government created in the future.

State agencies, institutions, etc., not found in or covered by this list may, upon written request from their respective department head to the Secretary of State, and upon the discretion of the Secretary of State as to need, be issued copies of the Session Laws on a permanent loan basis with the understanding that should said copies be needed they will be recalled."

(ss) G.S. 166A-21(e) is repealed.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

STUDY TRANSFER OF BUTNER PUBLIC SAFETY

Sec. 20.5. (a) There is established a Study Commission on the Transfer of Butner Public Safety to be composed of 12 members: six members to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and six members to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. The appointees shall serve until the termination of the Commission. The Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall each designate a cochair from their appointees. Either cochair may call the first meeting of the Commission. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments were made.

- (b) The Commission shall:
- (1) Examine the potential for transferring the functions and responsibilities of Butner Public Safety from the Office of the Governor to other State or local entities, including the sale or transfer of equipment, State buildings, or property currently occupied by Butner Public Safety;

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- (2) Determine the most appropriate means of meeting the service needs of both the State institutions and the local residents that would be affected by such a transfer, including the feasibility of incorporating Butner; and
 - (3) Determine the most cost-effective means of accomplishing such a transfer.
- (c) With the prior approval of the Legislative Services Commission, the Legislative Administrative Officer shall assign professional and clerical staff to assist in the work of the Commission. Clerical staff shall be furnished to the Commission through the Offices of the House and Senate Supervisors of Clerks. The expenses of employment of the clerical staff shall be borne by the Commission. With the prior approval of the Legislative Services Commission, the Commission may hold its meetings in the State Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building.
- (d) The Study Commission shall submit a final written report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by March 31, 1996. All reports shall be filed with the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. Upon filing its final report, the Commission shall terminate.
- (e) Members of the Commission shall be paid per diem, subsistence, and travel allowances as follows:
 - (1) Commission members who are also members of the General Assembly, at the rate established in G.S. 120-3.1.
 - (2) Commission members who are officials or employees of the State or local government agencies, at the rate established in G.S. 138-6.
 - (3) All other Commission members at the rate established in G.S. 138-5.
- (f) There is allocated from the funds appropriated to the Legislative Services Commission's studies reserve to the Study Commission on the Transfer of Butner Public Safety the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year to conduct the study directed by this section.

PART 21. JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT REDUCTIONS

Sec. 21. In addition to specific position reductions provided for in this act, the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts shall reduce the salary and wage line item for the Judicial Department by four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) for each year of the 1995-97 biennium by either eliminating positions, using salary reserve funds, or both.

- 39 Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance
- **JURY FEE WAIVER PROGRAM**
- 41 Sec. 21.1. (a) G.S. 7A-312 reads as rewritten:
- 42 "§ 7A-312. Uniform fees for jurors; meals.

A juror in the General Court of Justice including a petit juror, or a coroner's juror, but excluding a grand juror, shall receive twelve dollars (\$12.00) per day, except that if any person serves as a juror for more than five days in any 24-month period, the juror shall receive thirty dollars (\$30.00) per day for each day of service in excess of five days. A grand juror shall receive twelve dollars (\$12.00) per day. However, any juror may waive payment of the per diem fees provided for in this section. A juror required to remain overnight at the site of the trial shall be furnished adequate accommodations and subsistence. If required by the presiding judge to remain in a body during the trial of a case, meals shall be furnished the jurors during the period of sequestration. Jurors from out of the county summoned to sit on a special venire shall receive mileage at the same rate as State employees."

- (b) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall conduct a program to determine the extent to which cost savings may be generated by allowing jurors to waive payment of the per diem jury fees pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall report its findings on savings generated by this program to the Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees and the Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety by March 1, 1997.
 - (c) Subsection (a) of this section expires June 30, 1997.

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

TRANSFER OF EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLY FUNDS

Sec. 21.3. Funds appropriated to the Judicial Department in the 1995-97 biennium for equipment and supplies shall be certified in a reserve account. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall have the authority to transfer these funds to the appropriate programs and between programs as the equipment priorities and supply consumptions occur during the operating year. These funds may not be expended for any other purpose. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall make quarterly reports on transfers made pursuant to this section to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety.

 Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

REPORT ON DISPUTE SETTLEMENT CENTERS

- Sec. 21.5. (a) All local dispute settlement centers currently receiving State funds shall report annually to the Judicial Department on the program's funding and activities, including:
 - (1) Types of dispute settlement services provided;
 - (2) Clients receiving each type of dispute settlement service;
 - (3) Number and type of referrals received, cases actually mediated, cases resolved in mediation, and total clients served in the cases mediated;
 - (4) Total program funding and funding sources;

- (5) Itemization of the use of funds, including operating expenses and personnel;
- (6) Itemization of the use of State funds;
- (7) Level of volunteer activity; and
- (8) Identification of future service demands and budget requirements.

The Judicial Department shall compile and summarize the information provided pursuant to this subsection and shall provide the information to the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees and the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety by February 1 of each year.

- (b) Each local dispute settlement center requesting State funds for the first time shall provide the General Assembly with (i) the information enumerated in subsection (a) of this section, or projections where historical data is not available, as well as a detailed statement justifying the need for State funding, and (ii) certification that at least fifty percent (50%) of total funding for the first fiscal year in which funding is requested shall come from non-State sources, and (iii) if funding is requested for a second fiscal year, certification that at least sixty percent (60%) of total funding for the second fiscal year shall come from non-State sources.
- (c) Each local dispute settlement center requesting an expansion of State funding shall provide the General Assembly with (i) the information enumerated in subsection (a) of this section, or projections where historical data is not available, as well as a detailed statement justifying the need for the expansion of State funding, and (ii) certification that at least sixty percent (60%) of total funding shall come from non-State sources.

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

SPECIAL CAPITAL CASE REHEARING FUND

Sec. 21.8. There is continued in the Judicial Department the nonreverting special fund known as "The Special Capital Case Rehearing Fund". The funds shall be used to provide for resentencing hearings, related appeals, and postconviction hearings required by the decisions of the United States Supreme Court in McKoy v. North Carolina, decided March 5, 1990, and of the Supreme Court of North Carolina upon remand of that case, including the payment of attorneys' fees and related expenses for representation of indigent persons as specified in Subchapter IX of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes. As determined by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, any amounts in this fund not required to meet the needs of special capital case rehearings may be transferred to the Indigent Persons' Attorney Fee Fund.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

COMMUNITY PENALTIES PROGRAM

Sec. 21.9. (a) Of the funds appropriated from the General Fund to the Judicial Department for the 1995-97 biennium to conduct the Community Penalties program, the sum of three million nine hundred eighty-four thousand nine hundred twelve dollars (\$3,984,912) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of four million six hundred thirty-four thousand nine hundred twelve dollars (\$4,634,912) for the 1996-97 fiscal year may

be allocated by the Judicial Department in each year of the biennium in any amount among existing community penalties programs, including any State-operated programs, or may be used to establish new State-operated community penalties programs.

- (b) The Judicial Department shall report annually to the Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety and to the Fiscal Research Division on the administrative expenditures of the community penalties programs. The Judicial Department shall report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on any elimination or reduction of funding for community penalties programs funded in the 1994-95 fiscal year or any program receiving initial funding during the 1995-97 biennium.
 - (c) G.S. 7A-771(1) reads as rewritten:
 - '(1) 'Community penalties program' means an agency or State-run office within the judicial district which shall (i) prepare community penalty plans; (ii) arrange or contract with public and private agencies for necessary services for offenders; and (iii) monitor the progress of offenders placed on community penalty plans."
 - (d) G.S. 7A-772 reads as rewritten:

"§ 7A-772. Allocation of funds.

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- (a) The Director may award grants in accordance with the policies established by this Article and in accordance with any laws made for that purpose, including appropriations acts and provisions in appropriations acts, and adopt regulations for the implementation, operation, and monitoring of community penalties programs. Community penalties programs that are grantees shall use such funds to develop, implement, and monitor community penalty plans. Grants shall be awarded by the Director to agencies whose comprehensive program plans promise best to meet the goals set forth herein.
- (b) The Director may establish local community penalties programs and appoint those staff as the Director deems necessary. These personnel may serve as full-time or part-time State employees or may be hired on a contractual basis when determined appropriate by the director. Contracts entered under the authority of this subsection shall be exempt from the competitive bidding procedures under Chapter 143 of the General Statutes. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall adopt rules necessary and appropriate for the administration of the program. Funds appropriated by the General Assembly for the establishment and maintenance of community penalties programs under this Article shall be administered by the Administrative Office of the Courts."
 - (e) G.S. 7A-773 reads as rewritten:

"§ 7A-773. Responsibilities of a community penalties program.

A community penalties program shall be responsible for:

(1) Targeting offenders who are eligible to receive an intermediate punishment based on their class of offense and prior record level and who face an imminent and substantial threat of imprisonment.

- (2) Preparing detailed community penalty plans for presentation to the sentencing judge by the offender's attorney or at the request of the sentencing judge.
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- (3) Contracting or arranging with public or private agencies for services described in the community penalty plan.

(4) Monitoring the progress of offenders under community penalty plans."

Requested by: Senator Ballance

COURT REPORTING/USE OF AUDIO AND VIDEO EQUIPMENT

- Sec. 21.10. (a) The Administrative Office of the Courts may use funds appropriated in this act for State court reporter positions and support, including contractual services, to purchase audio and video recording equipment for use in the courtroom, provided that the purchase is to implement budget reductions for court reporter programs as required in this act.
- (b) The Office of the State Auditor shall study the court reporting system and determine the most cost-effective and appropriate use of official State court reporters, contractual reporters, and audio and video recording equipment for court reporting. The Office of the State Auditor shall consult with the Association of Official Court Reporters as part of the study. The study shall identify specific cost savings that would result from the implementation of the study recommendations. The Office of the State Auditor shall report to the Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees and the Chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety on the results of this study by April 1, 1996.
- (c) Any reduction in official court reporter positions pursuant to this section shall be implemented notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 7A-198(f) and G.S. 7A-95(e).
- (d) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall make reasonable efforts to assist official State court reporters and district court reporters in obtaining employment within the court system.

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

FUNDING OF JUDGESHIPS

Sec. 21.11. The Judicial Department may use funds available to the Department to fund the district court judgeships authorized in Section 200.6 of Chapter 321 of the 1993 Session Laws for District Court Districts 3A, 8, 12, and 18 upon the assumption of office by the initial holders of those judgeships.

- Requested by: Senator Ballance
- **GUARDIAN AD LITEM STUDY**
- Sec. 21.12. (a) The Legislative Research Commission may study the Guardian Ad Litem program in the Judicial Department and the Children's Services program in the Division of Social Services. The study shall:

- (1) Identify the amount and source of funding for legal services and administration in child abuse and neglect and dependency cases in those programs;
 - (2) Identify the legal participants involved in child abuse and neglect and dependency court cases and each participant's responsibilities;
 - (3) Study the purpose and activities of each program and identify activities that are similar;
 - (4) Identify federal mandates and any federal funding that would be affected by any changes in legal services or administration of either program, and determine whether any federal funds are available to fund the Guardian Ad Litem program;
 - (5) Review guardian ad litem programs and children's services in other states, including cost-saving measures taken by those states, and identify other methods of administering and funding those programs;
 - (6) Identify methods of reducing the costs for attorneys involved in child abuse and neglect and dependency cases;
 - (7) Review administrative costs of each program and identify possible cost savings; and
 - (8) Determine the extent to which guardian ad litem attorneys are performing duties normally handled by volunteers and identify methods to reduce such practices.
 - (b) The Commission may report its findings to the 1996 Regular Session of the 1995 General Assembly.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

CHANGE GUARDIAN AD LITEM ATTORNEY APPOINTMENT

Sec. 21.13. G.S. 7A-586(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) When in a petition a juvenile is alleged to be abused or neglected, the judge shall appoint a guardian ad litem to represent the juvenile. When a juvenile is alleged to be dependent, the judge may appoint a guardian ad litem to represent the juvenile. The guardian ad litem and attorney advocate have standing to represent the juvenile in all actions under this Subchapter where they have been appointed. The appointment shall be made pursuant to the program established by Article 39 of this Chapter unless representation is otherwise provided pursuant to G.S. 7A-491 or G.S. 7A-492. In every case where a nonattorney is appointed as a guardian ad litem, an attorney shall be appointed in the case in order to assure protection of the child's legal rights within the proceeding. through the dispositional phase of the proceedings, and after disposition when necessary to further the best interests of the child. The duties of the guardian ad litem program shall be to make an investigation to determine the facts, the needs of the juvenile, and the available resources within the family and community to meet those needs; to facilitate, when appropriate, the settlement of disputed issues; to offer evidence and examine witnesses at adjudication; to explore options with the judge at the

dispositional hearing; and to protect and promote the best interest of the juvenile until formally relieved of the responsibility by the judge."

Requested by: Senator Ballance

DRUG TREATMENT COURTS/FUNDS IN RESERVE

Sec. 21.14. (a) Chapter 7A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new Subchapter to read:

"SUBCHAPTER XIV. DRUG TREATMENT COURTS.

"ARTICLE 62.

"NORTH CAROLINA DRUG TREATMENT COURT ACT.

"<u>§ 7A-790. Short title.</u>

This Article shall be known and may be cited as the 'North Carolina Drug Treatment Court Act of 1995'.

"<u>§ 7A-791. Purpose.</u>

The General Assembly recognizes that a critical need exists in this State for criminal justice system programs that will reduce the incidence of drug use and drug addiction and crimes committed as a result of drug use and drug addiction. It is the intent of the General Assembly by this Article to create a program to facilitate the creation of drug treatment court pilot programs in a minimum of two judicial districts.

"§ 7A-792. Goals.

The goals of the drug treatment court programs funded under this Article include the following:

- (1) To reduce alcoholism and other drug dependencies among offenders;
- (2) To reduce recidivism;
- (3) To reduce the drug-related court workload;
- (4) To increase the personal, familial, and societal accountability of offenders; and
- (5) To promote effective interaction and use of resources among criminal justice personnel and community agencies.

"§ 7A-793. Establishment of Program.

The North Carolina Drug Treatment Court Program is established in the Administrative Office of the Courts to facilitate the creation of drug treatment court programs and the funding of pilot drug treatment court programs. Drug treatment court programs funded pursuant to this Article shall be operated consistent with the guidelines promulgated by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts in consultation with the State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee established in G.S. 7A-795. In promulgating the guidelines, the Director and the Advisory Committee shall consider the Substance Abuse and the Courts Action Plan and other recommendations of the Substance Abuse and the Courts State Task Force.

"§ 7A-794. Fund administration.

The Drug Treatment Court Program Fund is created in the Administrative Office of the Courts and is administered by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts in consultation with the State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee. The Director

of the Administrative Office of the Courts shall award grants from this Fund and implement drug treatment court programs in a minimum of two judicial districts. Grants shall be awarded based upon the general guidelines set forth by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts and the State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee.

"§ 7A-795. State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee.

The State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee is established to develop guidelines for the drug treatment court program and to monitor programs wherever they are implemented. The Committee shall be chaired by the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts or the Director's designee and shall consist of not less than seven members appointed by the Director and broadly representative of the courts, corrections, and substance abuse treatment communities.

"§ 7A-796. Local drug treatment court management committee.

Each judicial district choosing to establish a drug treatment court or applying to participate in a funded pilot program shall form a local drug treatment court management committee which may consist of some or all of the following:

- (1) A judge of the superior court;
- (2) A judge of the district court;
- (3) A district attorney or assistant district attorney;
- (4) A public defender or assistant public defender in judicial districts served by a public defender;
 - (5) A member of the private criminal defense bar;
 - (6) A clerk of superior court;
 - (7) The trial court administrator in judicial districts served by a trial court administrator;
 - (8) A probation officer;
 - (9) A local law enforcement officer;
 - (10) A representative of the local community college;
 - (11) A representative of the treatment providers;
 - (12) The local program director provided for in G.S. 7A-798; and
 - (13) Any other persons selected by the local management committee.

The local drug treatment court management committee shall develop local guidelines and procedures, not inconsistent with the State guidelines, that are necessary for the operation and evaluation of the local drug treatment court.

"§ 7A-797. Eligible population; drug treatment court procedures.

The Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, in conjunction with the State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee, shall develop criteria for eligibility and other procedural and substantive guidelines for drug treatment court operation.

"§ 7A-798. Drug treatment court grant application; local program director.

(a) Grant applications for the pilot programs shall be submitted to the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, in such form and with such information as the Director may require consistent with the provisions of this Article. Grants shall be awarded to two or more judicial districts that submit the most comprehensive and feasible

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plans for the implementation and operation of a drug treatment court. The Director shall award and administer grants in accordance with any laws made for that purpose, including appropriations acts and provisions in appropriations acts, and may adopt rules for the implementation, operation, and monitoring of grant-funded programs.

(b) Grant applications shall specify a local program director who shall be responsible for local administration of the project. Grant funds may be used to fund a full-time or part-time local program director position. The local program director may be an employee of the grant recipient, an employee of the court, or a grant-established position under the senior resident superior court judge or chief district court judge.

"§ 7A-799. Treatment not guaranteed.

Nothing contained in this Article shall confer a right or an expectation of a right to treatment for a defendant or offender within the criminal justice system.

"§ 7A-800. Payment of costs of treatment program.

Each defendant shall contribute to the cost of the substance abuse treatment received in the drug treatment court program, based upon guidelines developed by the local drug treatment court management committee.

"§ 7A-801. Plan for evaluation.

Each grant application requesting funding for the pilot program shall include a method for evaluating the pilot program's effectiveness, based upon the goals stated in G.S. 7A-792. Each funded program shall submit evaluation reports to the Administrative Office of the Courts as requested. Additionally, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall be responsible for developing an evaluation model on the State level to compare the effectiveness of all pilot programs and shall submit a report to the General Assembly by May 1, 1998."

- (b) Funds to implement and evaluate the pilot programs established under the North Carolina Drug Treatment Court Act shall be allocated from the reserve of eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000) created in Section 41 of Chapter 24 of the Session Laws of the 1994 Extra Session. These funds shall be used primarily to provide substance abuse treatment, but the sum of forty-three thousand seven hundred seventy-five dollars (\$43,775) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of fifty-two thousand five hundred fifty-one thousand dollars (\$52,551) for the 1996-97 fiscal year may be used to fund one program administrator position.
- (c) Section 1 of this act becomes effective July 1, 1995, and expires June 30, 1998. The remainder of this act becomes effective October 1, 1995.

PART 22. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Requested by: Senator Ballance

REVERSION OF CERTAIN INSURANCE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS

- Sec. 22. (a) Section 23.5 of Chapter 769 of the 1993 Session Laws, Regular Session 1994, is repealed.
- (b) Any funds received by the Department of Justice in settlement of insurance claims arising from damage to the Blue Bell building at the North Carolina Justice

Academy shall be expended by the Department for replacement of the building and for no other purpose. If any appropriation is made to the Department for replacement of the Blue Bell Building, then any funds received as insurance settlement proceeds shall revert to the General Fund.

(c) Subsection (a) of this section becomes effective June 30, 1995.

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Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SALARY FUNDS

Sec. 22.1. Of the funds appropriated to the Department of Justice in this act, the sum of ninety-three thousand four hundred fifty-three dollars (\$93,453) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of ninety-three thousand four hundred fifty-three dollars (\$93,453) for the 1996-97 fiscal year may be used for one-time annual salary adjustments for attorneys who are determined to be eligible for the adjustments based upon outstanding job performance for the preceding year.

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

SBI FUNDS/SPENDING PRIORITIES

Sec. 22.2. Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Justice, State Bureau of Investigation, for the 1995-97 biennium for overtime payments, the first priority for use of the funds by the Department shall be:

- (1) To make overtime payments to SBI agents in the Field Investigations Division; and
- (2) To make overtime payments to supervisory personnel receiving overtime payments as of June 30, 1995, up to a maximum of five thousand two hundred dollars (\$5,200) annually per individual.

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

SBI USE OF COURT-ORDERED REIMBURSEMENT FUNDS

Sec. 22.3. The State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) may use funds available from court-ordered reimbursement in undercover drug operations.

Requested by: Representatives Justus, Thompson, Senator Ballance

PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND ALARM SYSTEMS LICENSING BOARDS PAY FOR USE OF STATE FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Sec. 22.4. The Private Protective Services and Alarm Systems Licensing Boards shall pay the appropriate State agency for the use of physical facilities and services provided to those boards by the State.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

LIMITS ON COMPUTER SYSTEM UPGRADE

Sec. 22.5. Any proposed increase in mainframe computer capacity or system upgrade for the Judicial Department, the Department of Correction, or the Department of Justice, to be funded from the Continuation Budget, shall be reported to the Joint

Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, to the Senate and House Chairs of the Appropriations Committees, and to the Chairs of the Justice and Public Safety Committees before the department enters into any contractual agreement. This report is to be made jointly by the Information Resource Management Commission, the Office of State Budget and Management, and the requesting department.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

CERTAIN LITIGATION EXPENSES TO BE PAID BY CLIENT AGENCIES

Sec. 22.6. Client departments, agencies, and boards shall reimburse the Department for reasonable court fees, attorney travel and subsistence costs, and other costs directly related to litigation in which the Department is representing that client department, agency, or board.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

USE OF SEIZED AND FORFEITED PROPERTY TRANSFERRED TO STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Sec. 22.7. (a) Assets transferred to the Department of Justice during the 1995-97 biennium pursuant to 19 U.S.C. § 1616a shall be credited to the budget of that Department and shall result in an increase of law enforcement resources for the Department. Assets transferred to the Office of Public Safety, Office of the Governor, during the 1995-97 biennium pursuant to 19 U.S.C. § 1616a shall be credited to the budget of that Office and shall result in an increase of law enforcement resources for the Office of Public Safety. The Department and the Office shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations upon the receipt of these assets and, before using these assets, shall report the intended use of these assets and the departmental priorities on which the assets may be expended.

The General Assembly finds that the use of these assets for new personnel positions, new projects, the acquisition of real property, repair of buildings where such repair includes structural change, and construction of or additions to buildings may result in additional expenses for the State in future fiscal periods; therefore, the Department of Justice and the Office of Public Safety are prohibited from using these assets for such purposes without the prior approval of the General Assembly, except during the 1995-97 biennium, the Department of Justice may:

- (1) Use an amount not to exceed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) of the funds to extend the lease of space in the Town of Salemburg for SBI training; and
- (2) Use an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) of the funds to lease space for its technical operations unit, storage of its equipment and vehicles, and command post vehicle.
- (b) Nothing in this section prevents North Carolina law enforcement agencies from receiving funds from the United States Department of Justice pursuant to 19 U.S.C. § 1616a.

Requested by: Senator Ballance

VICTIMS ASSISTANCE NETWORK FUNDS

Sec. 22.8. (a) Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Justice, the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year shall be used to support the Victims Assistance Network. These funds shall be used by the Victims Assistance Network to perform the following functions under the direction of and as required by the Department of Justice:

- (1) Conduct surveys and gather data on crime victims and their needs;
- (2) Act as a clearinghouse for crime victims services;
- (3) Provide an automated crime victims bulletin board for subscribers;
- (4) Coordinate and support the activities of other crime victims advocacy groups;
- (5) Identify training needs of crime victims services providers and criminal justice personnel and coordinate training efforts for those persons; and
- (6) Provide other services as identified by the Governor's Crime Commission or the Department of Justice.
- (b) This section becomes effective July 1, 1995.

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PART 23. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

REDUCE DHR FUNDS IN ANTICIPATION OF RECEIPT OF FEDERAL FUNDS

Sec. 23. Funds appropriated to the Department of Human Resources for the 1995-96 fiscal year have been reduced by fourteen million thirteen thousand three hundred ninety-six dollars (\$14,013,396) in anticipation of the receipt of federal funds from the Title IV A - Emergency Assistance Program and the Social Services Block Grant. If these federal funds are not received or if only a portion of these funds are received, notwithstanding G.S. 143-15.3, the Director of the Budget may use funds available to the Department, not to exceed fourteen million thirteen thousand three hundred ninety-six dollars (\$14,013,396).

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

DHR EMPLOYEES/IN-KIND MATCH

Sec. 23.1. Notwithstanding the limitations of G.S. 143B-139.4, the Secretary of the Department of Human Resources may assign employees of the Office of Rural Health and Resource Development to serve as in-kind match to nonprofit corporations working to establish health care programs that will improve health care access while controlling costs.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

42 LIABILITY INSURANCE

Sec. 23.2. The Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, the Secretary of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, and the Secretary of the Department of Correction may provide medical liability coverage not to exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000) on behalf of employees of the Departments licensed to practice medicine or dentistry and on behalf of physicians in all residency training programs from The University of North Carolina who are in training at institutions operated by the Department of Human Resources. This coverage may include commercial insurance or self-insurance and shall cover these individuals for their acts or omissions only while they are engaged in providing medical and dental services pursuant to their State employment or training.

The coverage provided under this section shall not cover any individual for any act or omission that the individual knows or reasonably should know constitutes a violation of the applicable criminal laws of any state or the United States, or that arises out of any sexual, fraudulent, criminal, or malicious act, or out of any act amounting to willful or wanton negligence.

The coverage provided pursuant to this section shall not require any additional appropriations and shall not apply to any individual providing contractual service to the Department of Human Resources, the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, or the Department of Correction, with the exception that coverage may include physicians in all residency training programs from The University of North Carolina who are in training at institutions operated by the Department of Human Resources.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

TRANSFERS OF CERTAIN FUNDS AUTHORIZED

Sec. 23.3. In order to assure maximum utilization of funds in county departments of social services, county or district health agencies, and area mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse authorities, the Director of the Budget may transfer excess funds appropriated to a specific service, program, or fund, whether specified service in a block grant plan or General Fund appropriation, into another service, program, or fund for local services within the budget of the respective State agency.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

HEALTH CENTERS' PURCHASE OF MEDICATIONS

Sec. 23.4. Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, State rural health centers and federally funded community and migrant health centers shall be permitted to purchase medications by participating in contracts administered by the Department of Administration, Division of Purchase and Contract.

- Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford
- 42 S.O.S. AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER GRANT PROGRAMS
- 43 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS LIMITS

Sec. 23.6. (a) Of the funds appropriated to the Department of Human Resources in this act, the Department may use up to a total of three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) each fiscal year of the biennium to administer the S.O.S. Program, to provide technical assistance to applicants and to local S.O.S. programs, and to evaluate the local S.O.S. programs. The Department may contract with appropriate public or nonprofit agencies to provide the technical assistance, including training and related services.

(b) Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Human Resources for the Family Resource Center Grant Program, the Department may use up to three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) each fiscal year of the biennium to administer the Program.

 Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES MAINTAINED

Sec. 23.6A. The Department of Human Resources shall ensure that grants provided at the local level through the Council on Developmental Disabilities are provided at the level funded in the 1994-95 fiscal year, at a minimum. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Department may use funds available to it to maintain this minimum level of funding.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

DHR RESOURCE STUDIES

Sec. 23.6B. The Department shall study the following two issues and shall report these two issues, together with any recommendations, to the 1995 General Assembly, Regular Session 1996, within one week of convening:

- (1) The average staff vacancy rate by division over the last five fiscal years, to determine its effect on lapsed salaries; and
- (2) An analysis of unbudgeted revenues in excess of revenues in the certified budget as amended by the General Assembly received by the Department in the last two fiscal years, including:
 - a. Indirect cost receipts; and
 - b. Prior year earned revenue.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

DAY CARE FUNDS MATCHING REQUIREMENT

Sec. 23.7. No local matching funds may be required by the Department of Human Resources as a condition of any locality's receiving any State day care funds appropriated by this act unless federal law requires such a match.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

DAY CARE ALLOCATION FORMULA

Sec. 23.8. (a) To simplify current day care allocation methodology and more equitably distribute State day care funds, the Department of Human Resources shall

apply the following allocation formula to all noncategorical federal and State day care funds used to pay the costs of necessary day care for minor children of needy families:

- (1) One-third of budgeted funds shall be distributed according to the county's population in relation to the total population of the State;
- (2) One-third of the budgeted funds shall be distributed according to the number of children under 6 years of age in a county who are living in families whose income is below the State poverty level in relation to the total number of children under 6 years of age in the State in families whose income is below the poverty level; and
- (3) One-third of budgeted funds shall be distributed according to the number of working mothers with children under 6 years of age in a county in relation to the total number of working mothers with children under 6 years of age in the State.
- (b) A county's initial allocation shall not be less than that county's initial allocation was in fiscal year 1990-91 under the formula prescribed by Section 102 of Chapter 500 of the 1989 Session Laws. However, if the total amount available to allocate is less than the amount allocated by formula in the 1990-91 fiscal year, a county's allocation may be less than the county's initial allocation was in that fiscal year.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

CHILD DAY CARE REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Sec. 23.9. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, funds budgeted for the Child Day Care Revolving Loan Fund may be transferred to and invested by the financial institution contracted to operate the Fund. The principal and any income to the Fund may be used to make loans, reduce loan interest to borrowers, serve as collateral for borrowers, pay the contractor's cost of operating the Fund, or to pay the Department's cost of administering the program.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

DAY CARE

Sec. 23.10. Except for the allocation of support costs from federal grants by the General Assembly or the reallocation of federal grant funds by the Office of State Budget and Management, the Department of Human Resources shall distribute the funds appropriated and otherwise available to it for the purchase of day care for minor children of needy families so as to serve the greatest number of children possible.

 Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

DAY CARE RATES

Sec. 23.11. (a) Rules for the monthly schedule of payments for the purchase of day care services for low-income children shall be established by the Social Services Commission pursuant to G.S. 143B-153(8)a., in accordance with the following requirements:

- (1) For day care facilities, as defined in G.S. 110-86(3), in which fewer than fifty percent (50%) of the enrollees are subsidized by State or federal funds, the State shall continue to pay the same fee paid by private paying parents for a child in the same age group in the same facility.
- (2) Facilities in which fifty percent (50%) or more of the enrollees are subsidized by State or federal funds may be paid the rate established by the local purchasing agency, not to exceed the county market rate.
- (3) A market rate shall be calculated for each county and for each age group or age category of enrollees and shall be representative of fees charged to unsubsidized private paying parents for each age group of enrollees within the county. The county market rates shall be calculated from facility fee schedules collected by the Division of Child Development on a routine basis. The Division shall also calculate a statewide market rate for each age category. The Division may also calculate regional market rates for each age group and age category. The Social Services Commission shall adopt rules to establish minimum county rates that use the statewide market rates as a reference point.
- (4) Child day care homes as defined in G.S. 110-86(4) and other home-based day care arrangements that are not required to be regulated by the State licensing agency may be paid the rate established by the local purchasing agency, not to exceed market rate for day care homes, which shall be calculated at least biennially by the Division of Child Development according to the method described in subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this section.
- (b) Facilities licensed pursuant to Article 7 of Chapter 110 of the General Statutes may participate in the program that provides for the purchase of care in day care facilities for minor children of needy families. No separate licensing requirements shall be used to select facilities to participate. In addition, day care facilities shall be required to meet any additional applicable requirements of federal law or regulations.

Day care homes as defined in G.S. 110-86(4) from which the State purchases day care services shall meet the standards established by the Child Day Care Commission pursuant to G.S. 110-101 and G.S. 110-105.1 and any additional requirements of State law or federal law or regulations. Child care arrangements exempt from State regulation pursuant to Article 7 of Chapter 110 of the General Statutes shall meet the requirements established by other State law and by the Social Services Commission.

County departments of social services or other local contracting agencies shall not use a provider's failure to comply with requirements in addition to those specified in this subsection as a condition for reducing the provider's subsidized child day care rate.

(c) County departments of social services shall continue to negotiate with day care providers for day care services below those rates prescribed by subsection (a) of this section. County departments shall purchase day care services so as to serve the greatest number of children possible with existing resources.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

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EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES **QUALITY ASSURANCE/ACCOUNTABILITY**

- Sec. 23.12. (a) The General Assembly finds, in consultation with the Governor, that it is essential to begin to develop comprehensive programs that provide high quality early childhood education and development services locally for children and their families. The General Assembly also finds that it is equally essential that these programs be developed in a manner that will provide both quality assurance and performance-based accountability to the children, their families, their communities, and the State.
- The Department of Human Resources shall develop and implement a performance-based evaluation system to evaluate the Early Childhood Education and Development Initiatives authorized by Part 10B of Article 3 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes, if enacted. The Department shall design this system:
 - To incorporate the elements of a formative evaluation, including process and efficiency studies, and of a summative evaluation, including outcome and effectiveness studies, in order to:
 - a. Provide information to the Department and to the General Assembly on how to improve and refine the Programs;
 - Enable the Department and the General Assembly to assess the b. overall quality and impact of the existing Programs and any future ones; and
 - c. Enable the Department and the General Assembly to determine whether to make the Early Childhood Education Development Initiatives statewide:
 - To focus the Programs, as they develop and continue, on quality (2) assurance, by making quality a central and ongoing priority and to ensure that quality improvement efforts address outcomes, such as functions and processes, rather than persons, specific details, or paperwork;
 - To use reliable statistical methods to measure performance of processes, (3) functions, efforts, and outcomes, which methods shall allow adequate tracking of children and families through the program and into the school system, in order to provide a real, objective measure of the outcome of the Programs; and
 - (4) To provide a detailed fiscal analysis of the use to which State funds for these Programs are put.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES **PLAN**

Sec. 23.13. Counties participating in the Early Childhood Education and Development Initiatives authorized by Part 10B of Article 3 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes may use the county's allocation of State and federal child care funds to

subsidize child care according to the county's Early Childhood Education and Development Initiatives Plan as approved by the Department of Human Resources. The use of federal funds shall be consistent with the appropriate federal regulations. Day care providers shall, at a minimum, comply with the applicable requirements for State licensure or registration pursuant to Article 7 of Chapter 110 of the General Statutes, with other applicable requirements of State law or rule, including rules adopted for nonregistered day care by the Social Services Commission, and with applicable federal regulations.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

SUPPLEMENTAL HEAD START FUNDS

Sec. 23.13A. Supplemental Head Start funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Human Resources shall continue to be allocated to those counties currently receiving these funds.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES LOCAL PARTNERSHIP FUNDING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

Sec. 23.13B. The Secretary of Human Resources may allow local partnerships receiving funds for Early Childhood Education and Development Initiatives to use up to five percent (5%) or up to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of their total allocation, whichever is greater, to fund the staff and administrative support for local partnership board activities if the local partnership demonstrates that this additional administrative funding is needed.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

MEDICAID

Sec. 23.14. (a) Funds appropriated in this act for services provided in accordance with Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid) are for both the categorically needy and the medically needy. Funds appropriated for these services shall be expended in accordance with the following schedule of services and payment bases. All services and payments are subject to the language at the end of this subsection.

Services and payment bases:

- (1) Hospital-Inpatient Payment for hospital inpatient services will be prescribed in the State Plan as established by the Department of Human Resources. Administrative days for any period of hospitalization shall be limited to a maximum of three days.
- (2) Hospital-Outpatient Eighty percent (80%) of allowable costs or a prospective reimbursement plan as established by the Department of Human Resources.
- (3) Nursing Facilities Payment for nursing facility services will be prescribed in the State Plan as established by the Department of Human Resources. Nursing facilities providing services to Medicaid recipients

who also qualify for Medicare, must be enrolled in the Medicare 1 2 program as a condition of participation in the Medicaid program. State 3 facilities are not subject to the requirement to enroll in the Medicare 4 program. 5 (4) Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded - As prescribed 6 in the State Plan as established by the Department of Human Resources. 7 Drugs - Drug costs as allowed by federal regulations plus a professional (5) 8 services fee per month excluding refills for the same drug or generic 9 equivalent during the same month. Reimbursement shall be available 10 for up to six prescriptions per recipient, per month, including refills. Payments for drugs are subject to the provisions of subsection (f) of this 11 12 section and to the provisions at the end of subsection (a) of this section. 13 or in accordance with the State Plan adopted by the Department of 14 Human Resources consistent with federal reimbursement regulations. 15 Payment of the professional services fee shall be made in accordance 16 with the Plan adopted by the Department of Human Resources, consistent with federal reimbursement regulations. The professional 17 18 services fee shall be five dollars and sixty cents (\$5.60) per prescription. 19 Adjustments to the professional services fee shall be established by the 20 General Assembly. 21 (6) Physicians, Chiropractors, Podiatrists, Optometrists, Dentists, Certified Nurse Midwife Services - Fee schedules as developed by the 22 Department of Human Resources. Payments for dental services are 23 24 subject to the provisions of subsection (g) of this section. 25 **(7)** Community Alternative Program, EPSDT Screens - Payment to be made in accordance with rate schedule developed by the Department of 26 27 Human Resources. 28 (8) Home Health and Related Services, Private Duty Nursing, Clinic 29 Services, Prepaid Health Plans, Durable Medical Equipment - Payment 30 to be made according to reimbursement plans developed by the 31 Department of Human Resources. (9) Medicare Buy-In - Social Security Administration premium. 32 Ambulance Services - Uniform fee schedules as developed by the 33 (10)34 Department of Human Resources. 35 (11)Hearing Aids - Actual cost plus a dispensing fee. Rural Health Clinic Services - Provider-based - reasonable cost; (12)36

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- (15) Optical Supplies One hundred percent (100%) of reasonable wholesale cost of materials.
- (16) Ambulatory Surgical Centers Payment as prescribed in the reimbursement plan established by the Department of Human Resources.
- (17) Medicare Crossover Claims An amount up to the actual coinsurance or deductible or both, in accordance with the Plan, as approved by the Department of Human Resources.
- (18) Physical Therapy and Speech Therapy Services limited to EPSDT eligible children. Payments are to be made only to the Children's Special Health Services program at rates negotiated by the Department of Human Resources.
- (19) Personal Care Services Payment in accordance with Plan approved by the Department of Human Resources.
- (20) Case Management Services Reimbursement in accordance with the availability of funds to be transferred within the Department of Human Resources.
- (21) Hospice Services may be provided in accordance with Plan developed by the Department of Human Resources.
- Other Mental Health Services Unless otherwise covered by this section, coverage is limited to agencies meeting the requirements of the rules established by the Commission for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, and reimbursement is made in accordance with a Plan developed by the Department of Human Resources not to exceed the upper limits established in federal regulations.
- (23) Medically Necessary Prosthetics or Orthotics for EPSDT Eligible Children Reimbursement in accordance with Plan approved by the Department of Human Resources.
- (24) Health Insurance Premiums Payments to be made in accordance with the Plan adopted by the Department of Human Resources consistent with federal regulations.
- (25) Medical Care/Other Remedial Care Services not covered elsewhere in this section include related services in schools; health professional services provided outside the clinic setting to meet maternal and infant health goals; and services to meet federal EPSDT mandates. Services addressed by this paragraph are limited to those prescribed in the State Plan as established by the Department of Human Resources. Providers of these services must be certified as meeting program standards of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources.
- (26) Pregnancy Related Services Covered services for pregnant women shall include nutritional counseling, psychosocial counseling, and

predelivery and postpartum home visits by maternity care coordinators and public health nurses.

Services and payment bases may be changed with the approval of the Director of the Budget.

Reimbursement is available for up to 24 visits per recipient per year to any one or combination of the following: physicians, clinics, hospital outpatient, optometrists, chiropractors, and podiatrists. Prenatal services, all EPSDT children, and emergency rooms are exempt from the visit limitations contained in this paragraph. Exceptions may be authorized by the Department of Human Resources where the life of the patient would be threatened without such additional care. Any person who is determined by the Department to be exempt from the 24-visit limitation may also be exempt from the six-prescription limitation.

- (b) Allocation of Nonfederal Cost of Medicaid. The State shall pay eighty-five percent (85%); the county shall pay fifteen percent (15%) of the nonfederal costs of all applicable services listed in this section.
- (c) Copayment for Medicaid Services. The Department of Human Resources may establish copayment up to the maximum permitted by federal law and regulation.
- (d) Medicaid and Aid to Families With Dependent Children Income Eligibility Standards. The maximum net family annual income eligibility standards for Medicaid and Aid to Families with Dependent Children, and the Standard of Need for Aid to Families with Dependent Children shall be as follows:

23	Categorically Needy				Medically Needy
24	Fa	mily Stand	ard AFDC	Payment	
25	<u>Size</u>	of Need	Level*	AA, AB,	AD*
26	1	\$ 4,344	\$ 2,172	\$ 2,900	
27	2	5,664	2,8323,800		
28	3	6,528	3,2644,400		
29	4	7,128	3,5644,800	5 7,776	3,888 5,200
30	6	8,376	4,1885,600		
31	7	8,952	4,4766,000		
32	8	9,256 4,68	06,300		

*Aid to Families With Dependent Children (AFDC); Aid to the Aged (AA); Aid to the Blind (AB); and Aid to the Disabled (AD).

The payment level for Aid to Families With Dependent Children shall be fifty percent (50%) of the standard of need.

These standards may be changed with the approval of the Director of the Budget with the advice of the Advisory Budget Commission.

- (e) All Elderly, Blind, and Disabled Persons who receive Supplemental Security Income are eligible for Medicaid coverage.
- (f) ICF and ICF/MR Work Incentive Allowances. The Department of Human Resources may provide an incentive allowance to Medicaid-eligible recipients of ICF and

ICF/MR facilities who are regularly engaged in work activities as part of their developmental plan and for whom retention of additional income contributes to their achievement of independence. The State funds required to match the federal funds that are required by these allowances shall be provided from savings within the Medicaid budget or from other unbudgeted funds available to the Department. The incentive allowances may be as follows:

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Monthly Net Wages Monthly Incentive Allowance

\$1.00 to \$100.99 Up to \$50.00 \$101.00 - \$200.99 \$80.00 \$201.00 to \$300.99 \$130.00

\$301.00 and greater \$212.00.

- (g) Dental Coverage Limits. Dental services shall be provided on a restricted basis in accordance with rules adopted by the Department to implement this subsection.
- (h) Dispensing of Generic Drugs. Notwithstanding G.S. 90-85.27 through G.S. 90-85.31, under the Medical Assistance Program (Title XIX of the Social Security Act) a prescription order for a drug designated by a trade or brand name shall be considered to be an order for the drug by its established or generic name, except when the prescriber personally indicates, either orally or in his own handwriting on the prescription order, "dispense as written" or words of similar meaning. Generic drugs, when available in the pharmacy, shall be dispensed at a lower cost to the Medical Assistance Program rather than trade or brand name drugs, subject to the prescriber's "dispense as written" order as noted above.

As used in this subsection "brand name" means the proprietary name the manufacturer places upon a drug product or on its container, label, or wrapping at the time of packaging; and "established name" has the same meaning as in section 502(e)(3) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act as amended, 21 U.S.C. § 352(e)(3).

- (i) Exceptions to Service Limitations, Eligibility Requirements, and Payments. Service limitations, eligibility requirements, and payments bases in this section may be waived by the Department of Human Resources, with the approval of the Director of the Budget, to allow the Department to carry out pilot programs for prepaid health plans, managed care plans, or community-based services programs in accordance with plans approved by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or when the Department determines that such a waiver will result in a reduction in the total Medicaid costs for the recipient.
- (j) Volume Purchase Plans and Single Source Procurement. The Department of Human Resources, Division of Medical Assistance, may, subject to the approval of a change in the State Medicaid Plan, contract for services, medical equipment, supplies, and appliances by implementation of volume purchase plans, single source procurement, or other similar processes in order to improve cost containment.
- (k) Cost Containment Programs. The Department of Human Resources, Division of Medical Assistance, may undertake cost containment programs including

 preadmissions to hospitals and prior approval for certain outpatient surgeries before they may be performed in an inpatient setting.

- (l) For all Medicaid eligibility classifications for which the federal poverty level is used as an income limit for eligibility determination, the income limits will be updated each April 1 immediately following publication of federal poverty guidelines.
- (m) The Department of Human Resources shall provide Medicaid to 19-, 20-, and 21-year olds in accordance with federal rules and regulations.
- (n) The Department of Human Resources shall provide coverage to pregnant women and to children according to the following schedule:
 - (1) Pregnant women with incomes equal to or less than one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) of the federal poverty guidelines as revised each April 1 shall be covered for Medicaid benefits;
 - (2) Infants under the age of 1 with family incomes equal to or less than one hundred eighty-five percent (185%) of the federal poverty guidelines as revised each April 1 shall be covered for Medicaid benefits;
 - (3) Children aged 1 through 5 with family incomes equal to or less than one hundred thirty-three percent (133%) of the federal poverty guidelines as revised each April 1 shall be covered for Medicaid benefits;
 - (4) Children aged 6 through 18 with family incomes equal to or less than the federal poverty guidelines as revised each April 1 shall be covered for Medicaid benefits. Services to pregnant women eligible under this section continue throughout the pregnancy but include only those related to pregnancy and to those other conditions determined by the Department as conditions that may complicate pregnancy. In order to reduce county administrative costs and to expedite the provision of medical services to pregnant women, to infants, and to children eligible under this section, no resources test shall be applied; and
 - (5) The Department of Human Resources shall provide Medicaid coverage for adoptive children with special or rehabilitative needs regardless of the adoptive family's income.
- (o) The Department of Human Resources may use Medicaid funds budgeted from program services to support the cost of administrative activities to the extent that these administrative activities produce a net savings in services requirements. Administrative initiatives funded by this section shall be first approved by the Office of State Budget and Management.
- (p) The Department of Human Resources shall submit a monthly status report on expenditures for acute care and long-term care services to the Fiscal Research Division and to the Office of State Budget and Management. This report shall include an analysis of budgeted versus actual expenditures for eligibles by category and for long-term care beds. In addition, the Department shall revise the program's projected spending for the current fiscal year and the estimated spending for the subsequent fiscal year on a quarterly basis. Reports for the preceding month shall be forwarded to the Fiscal

Research Division and to the Office of State Budget and Management no later than the third Thursday of the month.

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NONMEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT

Sec. 23.16. Providers of medical services under the various State programs, other than Medicaid, offering medical care to citizens of the State shall be reimbursed at rates no more than those under the North Carolina Medical Assistance Program.

The Department of Human Resources may reimburse hospitals at the full prospective per diem rates without regard to the Medical Assistance Program's annual limits on hospital days. When the Medical Assistance Program's per diem rates for inpatient services and its interim rates for outpatient services are used to reimburse providers in non-Medicaid medical service programs, retroactive adjustments to claims already paid shall not be required.

Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph one, the Department of Human Resources may negotiate with providers of medical services under the various Department of Human Resources programs, other than Medicaid, for rates as close as possible to Medicaid rates for the following purposes: contracts or agreements for medical services and purchases of medical equipment and other medical supplies. These negotiated rates are allowable only to meet the medical needs of its non-Medicaid eligible patients, residents, and clients who require such services which cannot be provided when limited to the Medicaid rate.

Maximum net family annual income eligibility standards for services in these programs shall be as follows:

26		Medical Eye	All	
27	Family Size	Care Adults	Rehabilitation	<u>Other</u>
28	1	\$ 4,860	\$ 8,364	\$ 4,200
29	2	5,940	10,944	5,300
30	3	6,204	13,500	6,400
31	4	7,284	16,092	7,500
32	5	7,824	18,648	7,900
33	6	8,220	21,228	8,300
34	7	8,772	21,708	8,800
35	8	9,312	22,220	9,300

The eligibility level for children in the Medical Eye Care Program in the Division of Services for the Blind and for adults in the Clozaril Program in the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services shall be one hundred percent (100%) of the federal poverty guidelines, as revised annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services and in effect on July 1 of each fiscal year.

The Department of Human Resources shall contract at, or as close as possible to, Medicaid rates for medical services provided to residents of State facilities of the Department.

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PRIVATE AGENCY UNIFORM COST FINDING REQUIREMENT

Sec. 23.17. To ensure uniformity in rates charged to area programs and funded with State-allocated resources, the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services of the Department of Human Resources may require a private agency that provides services under contract with two or more area programs, except for hospital services that have an established Medicaid rate, to complete an agency-wide uniform cost finding in accordance with G.S. 122C-143.2(a) and G.S. 122C-147.2. The resulting cost shall be the maximum included for the private agency in the contracting area program's unit cost finding.

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CLIENT SERVICES MONITORING

Sec. 23.17A. The Department of Human Resources, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, shall utilize a system of monitoring and control for client services. This system shall ascertain whether services are provided in a timely manner. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Division shall withhold area mental health agencies' administrative funds until services are provided in a timely manner.

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NONSUPPLANTING OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE FUNDS

Sec. 23.18. The Department of Human Resources shall ensure that counties do not reduce county appropriations and expenditures for area mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse authorities because the authorities have received additional State appropriations for services.

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MIXED BEVERAGE TAX FOR AREA MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

Sec. 23.19. Funds received by the Department of Human Resources from the tax levied on mixed beverages under G.S. 18B-804(b)(8) shall be expended by the Department of Human Resources as prescribed by G.S. 18B-805(h). These funds shall be allocated to the area mental health programs for substance abuse services on a per capita basis as determined by the Office of State Budget and Management's most recent estimates of county populations.

- 42 Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford
- 43 WILLIE M.

- Sec. 23.20. (a) Legislative Findings. The General Assembly finds:
 - (1) That there is a need in North Carolina to provide appropriate treatment and education programs to children under the age of 18 who suffer from emotional, mental, or neurological handicaps accompanied by violent or assaultive behavior;
 - (2) That children meeting these criteria have been identified as a Class in the case of <u>Willie M., et al. v. Hunt, et al.</u>, formerly <u>Willie M., et al. v. Martin, et al.</u>; and
 - (3) That these children have a need for a variety of services, in addition to those normally provided, that may include, but are not limited to, residential treatment services, educational services, and independent living arrangements.
- (b) Funds appropriated by the General Assembly to the Department of Human Resources for serving members of the Willie M. Class shall be expended only for programs serving members of the Willie M. Class identified in Willie M., et al. v. Hunt, et al., formerly Willie M., et al. v. Martin, et al., including evaluations of potential Class members. The Department shall reallocate these funds among services to Willie M. Class members during the year as it deems advisable in order to use the funds efficiently in providing appropriate services to Willie M. Class children.
- (c) Funds for Department of Public Education. Funds appropriated to the Department of Public Education in this act for members of the Willie M. Class are to establish a supplemental reserve fund to serve only members of the Class identified in Willie M., et al. v. Hunt, et al., formerly Willie M., et al. v. Martin, et al. These funds shall be allocated by the State Board of Education to the local education agencies to serve those Class members who were not included in the regular average daily membership and the census of children with special needs, and to provide the additional program costs which exceed the per pupil allocation from the State Public School Fund and other State and federal funds for children with special needs.
- (d) The Department of Human Resources shall continue to implement its prospective unit cost reimbursement system and shall ensure that unit cost rates reflect reasonable costs by conducting cost center service type rate comparisons and cost center line item budget reviews as may be necessary, and based upon these reviews and comparisons, the Department shall reduce and/or cap rates to programs which are significantly higher than those rates paid to other programs for the same service.

Any exception to this requirement shall be approved by the Director of the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, and shall be reported in the Department's annual joint report to the Governor and the General Assembly and in any periodic report the Department may make to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.

(d1) The Department of Human Resources shall implement a process to review those cases for whom treatment has been recommended whose annual cost is anticipated to be in excess of one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the average annual per

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client expenditure of the previous fiscal year and shall take actions to reduce these treatment costs where appropriate.

- (e) Reporting Requirements. The Department of Human Resources and the Department of Public Education shall submit, by May 1 of each fiscal year, a joint report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the progress achieved in serving members of the Willie M. Class. The report shall include the following unduplicated data for each county: (i) the number of children nominated for the Willie M. Class; (ii) the number of children actually identified as members of the Class in each county; (iii) the number of children served as members of the Class in each county; (iv) the number of children who remain unserved or for whom additional services are needed in order to be determined to be appropriately served; (v) the types and locations of treatment and education services provided to Class members; (vi) the cost of services, by type, to members of the Class and the maximum and minimum rates paid to providers for each service; (vii) the number of cases whose treatment costs were in excess of one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the average annual per client expenditure; (viii) information on the impact of treatment and education services on members of the Class; (ix) an explanation of, and justification for, any waiver of departmental rules that affect the Willie M. program; and (x) the total State funds expended, by program, on Willie M. Class members, other than those funds specifically appropriated for the Willie M. programs and services.
- (e1) From existing funds available to it, the Department of Human Resources shall begin a process to document and assess individual Class members' progress through the continuum of services. Standardized measures of functioning shall be administered periodically to each member of the Class, and the information generated from these measures shall be used to assess client progress and program effectiveness.
- (f) The Departments of Human Resources and Public Education shall provide periodic reports of expenditures and program effectiveness on behalf of the Willie M. Class to the Fiscal Research Division. As part of these reports, the Departments shall explain measures they have taken to control and reduce program expenditures.
- (g) In fulfilling the responsibilities vested in it by the Constitution of North Carolina, the General Assembly finds:
 - That the General Assembly has evaluated the known needs of the State (1) and has endeavored to satisfy those needs in comparison to their social and economic priorities; and
 - That the funds appropriated will enable the development and implementation of placement and services for the Class members in Willie M., et al. v. Hunt, et al., formerly Willie M., et al. v. Martin, et al., within a reasonable period of time considered within the context of the needs of the Class members, the other needs of the State and the resources available to the State.
- (h) The General Assembly supports the efforts of the responsible officials and agencies of the State to meet the requirements of the court order in Willie M., et al. v. Hunt, et al., formerly Willie M., et al. v. Martin, et al. To ensure that Willie M. Class

members are appropriately served, no State funds shall be expended on placement and services for Willie M. Class members except:

- (1) Funds specifically appropriated by the General Assembly for the placement and services of Willie M. Class members; and
- (2) Funds for placement and services for which Willie M. Class members are otherwise eligible.

This limitation shall not preclude the use of unexpended Willie M. funds from prior fiscal years to cover current or future needs of the Willie M. program subject to approval by the Director of the Budget. These Willie M. expenditures shall not be subject to the requirements of G.S. 143-18.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the Department of Human Resources determines that a local program is not providing appropriate services to members of the Class identified in Willie M., et al. v. Hunt, et al., formerly Willie M., et al. v. Martin, et al., the Department may ensure the provision of these services through contracts with public or private agencies or by direct operation by the Department of such programs.

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THOMAS S.

Sec. 23.21. (a) Funds appropriated to the Department of Human Resources in this act for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the 1996-97 fiscal year for members of the Thomas S. Class as identified in <u>Thomas S.</u>, et al. v. Britt, formerly <u>Thomas S.</u>, et al. v. Flaherty, shall be expended only for programs serving Thomas S. Class members or for services for those clients who are:

- (1) Adults with mental retardation, or who have been treated as if they had mental retardation, who were admitted to a State psychiatric hospital on or after March 22, 1984, and who are included on the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services' official list of prospective Class members;
- (2) Adults with mental retardation who have a documented history of State psychiatric hospital admissions regardless of admission date and who, without funding support, have a good probability of being readmitted to a State psychiatric hospital;
- (3) Adults with mental retardation who have never been admitted to a State psychiatric hospital but who have a documented history of behavior determined to be of danger to self or others that results in referrals for inpatient psychiatric treatment and who, without funding support, have a good probability of being admitted to a State psychiatric hospital; or
- (4) Adults who are included on the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services' official list of prospective Class members and have yet to be confirmed as Class members, who currently reside in the community, and who have a good

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PHYSICIAN SERVICES

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probability of being admitted to a facility licensed as a 'home for the aged and disabled'.

No more than five percent (5%) of the funds appropriated in this act for the Thomas S. program shall be used for clients meeting subdivisions (2), (3), or (4) of this subsection.

- To ensure that Thomas S. Class members are appropriately served, no State funds shall be expended on placement and services for Thomas S. Class members except:
 - Funds specifically appropriated by the General Assembly for the (1) placement and services of Thomas S. Class members; and
 - (2) Funds for placement and services for which Thomas S. Class members are otherwise eligible.
- The Department of Human Resources shall continue to implement a prospective unit cost reimbursement system and shall ensure that unit cost rates reflect reasonable costs by conducting cost center service type rate comparisons and cost center line item budget reviews as may be necessary.
- Reporting requirements. The Department of Human Resources shall submit by April 1 of each fiscal year a report to the General Assembly on the progress achieved in serving members and prospective members of the Thomas S. Class. The report shall include the following:
 - (1) The number of Thomas S. clients confirmed as Class members;
 - (2) The number of prospective Class members evaluated:
 - (3) The number of prospective Class members awaiting evaluation;
 - The number of Class members or prospective Class members added in (4) the preceding 12 months due to their admission to a State psychiatric hospital;
 - A description of the types of treatment services provided to Class (5) members; and
 - An analysis of the use of funds appropriated for the Class. (6)
- (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the Department of Human Resources determines that a local program is not providing minimally adequate services to members of the Class identified in Thomas S., et al. v. Britt, formerly Thomas S., et al. v. Flaherty, or does not show a willingness to do so, the Department may ensure the provision of these services through contracts with public or private agencies or by direct operation by the Department of these programs.
- Sec. 23.21A. With the approval of the Office of State Budget and Management, the Department of Human Resources may use funds appropriated in this act for across-the-board salary increases and performance pay to offset similar increases in the costs of contracting with private and independent universities for the provision of physician services to clients in facilities operated by the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services. This offsetting shall be done

in the same manner as is currently done with constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina.

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MENTAL HEALTH COUNTY FUNDS REQUIREMENT

Sec. 23.21B. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Department of Human Resources shall ensure that counties do not reduce county appropriations and expenditures for area mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse authorities because of the availability of State-allocated funds, fees, or capitation amounts to the authorities.

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FOSTER CARE REPORTING

Sec. 23.22. Counties receiving funds for foster care shall report annually, beginning with the 1995-96 fiscal year, to the Division of Social Services, Department of Human Resources, the following:

- (1) A narrative description of the use of State funds;
- (2) Workload statistics and indicators for foster care as established by the Division of Social Services; and
- (3) Development of a coordinated approach to providing children's services, with emphasis on meeting the total needs of the children and families being served.

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ADOPTION SUBSIDY

Sec. 23.23. The maximum rates for State participation in the adoption assistance program are established on a graduated scale as follows:

- (1) \$315.00 per child per month for children aged birth through 5;
- (2) \$365.00 per child per month for children aged 6 through 12; and
- (3) \$415.00 per child per month for children aged 13 through 18.

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FOSTER CARE

Sec. 23.24. The maximum rates for State participation in the foster care assistance program are established on a graduated scale as follows:

- (1) \$315.00 per child per month for children aged birth through 5;
- (2) \$365.00 per child per month for children aged 6 through 12; and
- (3) \$415.00 per child per month for children aged 13 through 18.
- Of these amounts, fifteen dollars (\$15.00) is a special needs allowance for the child.

- 41 Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford
- 42 FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION TRAINING

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Sec. 23.25. The Division of Social Services, Department of Human Resources, shall continue the in-house training component that provides a mandated minimum of 30 hours of preservice training for foster care parents and 84 hours for foster care workers and adoption care workers and a mandated minimum of 10 hours of continuing education for all foster care parents and 18 hours for foster care workers and adoption care workers.

This section remains in effect until modified or repealed by the General Assembly.

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CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES

- Sec. 23.26. (a) The funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Human Resources, Division of Social Services, for the 1995-96 fiscal year for Child Protective Services shall be allocated to county departments of social services based upon a formula which takes into consideration the number of Child Protective Services cases in that county and the number of Child Protective Services workers necessary to meet recommended standards adopted by the North Carolina Association of County Directors of Social Services.
- Funds allocated under subsection (a) of this section shall be used by county departments for carrying out investigations of reports of child abuse or neglect or for providing protective or preventive services in which the department confirms abuse, neglect, or dependency.
- The Division of Social Services, Department of Human Resources, shall establish criteria and guidelines to ensure that the allocations to county departments of social services are used in accordance with this section and that available Federal Emergency Assistance funds for Child Protective Services are maximized.
- As long as federal Emergency Assistance funds are available, counties shall use these federal funds, State Child Protective Services appropriations, and county funds to provide Child Protective Services.

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LIMITATION ON STATE ABORTION FUND

- Sec. 23.27. (a) No State funds, whether from tax revenues, gifts, bequests, grants, or any other source, in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) each fiscal year of the biennium shall be expended for the State Abortion Fund's funding of the performance of abortions.
- (b) Eligibility for services of the State Abortion Fund shall be limited to women whose income is below the federal poverty level, as revised annually, or who are eligible for Medicaid. The State Abortion Fund shall be used to fund abortions only to terminate pregnancies resulting from cases of rape or incest, or to terminate pregnancies that, in the written opinion of one doctor licensed to practice medicine in North Carolina, endanger the life of the mother.
- Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

HIV FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTIONS BOARD PAYMENT

Sec. 23.28. The maximum rates for State participation in HIV Foster Care and Adoptions Board Payments are established on a graduated scale as follows:

- (1) \$800.00 per month per child with indeterminate HIV status;
- (2) \$1,000 per month per child confirmed HIV-infected, asymptomatic;
- (3) \$1,200 per month per child confirmed HIV-infected, symptomatic; and
- (4) \$1,600 per month per child terminally ill with complex care needs.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

FOOD STAMP OUTREACH

Sec. 23.29. The Department of Human Resources shall continue a Food Stamp Outreach Program. Under the Program, the Department shall inform public and private agencies, community groups, potentially eligible persons, and the general public regarding the eligibility requirements of the Food Stamp Program. The Department shall maintain a referral list of public and private agencies, community groups, and interested persons and organizations who serve low-income persons. The Department shall inform these agencies and persons regarding the Food Stamp Program and changes in the law that affect client eligibility or the extent of benefits. The Department shall develop and distribute informational materials, such as public service announcements, brochures, pamphlets, posters, and correspondence.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

AFDC PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR WOMEN IN THE THIRD TRIMESTER OF PREGNANCY

Sec. 23.29A. Women in their third trimester of pregnancy with their first child who otherwise meet all the eligibility criteria for Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) are eligible for all programs and services available to AFDC recipients other than AFDC cash assistance.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

RETROSPECTIVE ACCOUNTING ADJUSTMENT

Sec. 23.29B. The Department of Human Resources shall use funds appropriated to it by this act to provide a State supplementary payment to Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) households adversely affected by the retrospective accounting procedure as allowed under section 403(a) of the Social Security Act, as amended by section 157(a) of the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982. The amount of the State supplement shall not exceed the maximum payment standard for the AFDC Program.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Sec. 23.29C. The Division of Social Services, Department of Human Resources, shall not expend more State funds than are appropriated for the cash

assistance component of the Emergency Assistance Program for the 1995-97 fiscal biennium. Within this limit, Emergency Assistance cash benefits shall not exceed three hundred dollars (\$300.00) per year per family, payable over a 30-day period. After this 30-day period, Emergency Assistance cash benefits are not available to that family until 12 months have elapsed from the initial authorization date. The family may have no more than a total of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) in liquid assets in order to quality for the cash assistance component of the Emergency Assistance Program pursuant to this section.

It is the intent of the General Assembly that cash benefits under the Emergency Assistance Program shall only be used to provide assistance to persons to alleviate an emergency. In evaluating whether an emergency exists, the agency receiving the application shall apply prudent judgment to evaluate each emergency on its own merits. Prudent judgment will permit the agency to consider whether the client created the emergency and whether the assistance will resolve the emergency.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

FAMILY SUPPORT ACT

Sec. 23.29D. (a) The General Assembly finds that it is in the best interest of the State and of all its citizens to encourage recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) to obtain jobs and become self-sufficient. It further finds that, by continuing medical assistance and providing limited wage assistance to those recipients who are working, the State will make it possible to help many recipients to be able to keep their jobs, support their families, and become self-sufficient.

Therefore, the General Assembly adopts a payment method that will result in more recipients being able to find work and keep working.

(b) AFDC payments shall be determined by subtracting countable income from the State standard of need, and paying a percentage of the difference. The percentage that shall be applied to determine the amount of assistance shall be the same percentage set in the Current Operations Appropriations Act that determines the AFDC payment level from the standard of need.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

SENIOR CENTER OUTREACH

Sec. 23.30. (a) Funds appropriated to the Department of Human Resources, Division of Aging, for the 1995-97 fiscal biennium, shall be used by the Division of Aging to enhance senior center programs as follows:

- (1) To test "satellite" services provided by existing senior centers to unserved or underserved areas; or
- (2) To provide start-up funds for new senior centers.

All of these funds shall be allocated by October 1 of each fiscal year.

(b) Prior to funds being allocated pursuant to this section for start-up funds for a new senior center, the county commissioners of the county in which the new center will be located shall:

- Formally endorse the need for such a center; (1) 1 2
 - (2) Formally agree on the sponsoring agency for the center; and
 - (3) Make a formal commitment to use local funds to support the ongoing operation of the center.
 - State funding shall not exceed ninety percent (90%) of reimbursable costs. (c)

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

CAREGIVER SUPPORT SHARING

Sec. 23.31. (a) Of the funds appropriated to the Division of Aging, Department of Human Resources, for the 1995-97 fiscal biennium, the sum of one million eight thousand dollars (\$1,008,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of one million eight thousand dollars (\$1,008,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year shall be used for services that support family caregivers of elderly persons with functional disabilities, whether physical or mental, who want to stay in their homes rather than be institutionalized but who need assistance with the activities of daily living in order to remain at home. The services that may be purchased from funds received under this section include:

- (1) Respite Care;
- (2) Adult Day Care;
- (3) Stipends and other related costs for senior companions, modeled after the federal Senior Companion Program; and
- (4) Other related services that meet needs not now adequately addressed by the services described in subdivisions (1) through (3) of this subsection.
- The Division of Aging shall expend funds for these services according to the population of persons 70 years of age or older in each region. The Division of Aging shall use a minimum of ninety-five percent (95%) of the funds it receives under this section for the services described in subdivisions (1) through (4) of subsection (a) of this section and may only use a maximum of five percent (5%) for technical assistance as described in subsection (c) of this section. The Division of Aging shall choose providers in accordance with procedures under the Older Americans Act. Funds allocated by the Division pursuant to this section shall be allocated by October 1 of each fiscal year.
- The Division of Aging may contract for technical assistance. The technical assistance shall include training assistance, coordination of various service delivery and funding sources, and ideas for innovative ways to build a lasting system of services for family caregivers.

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- Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford
- REIMBURSEMENT AND COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION ADVISORY COUNCIL, THE STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL, AND THE COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND
- Sec. 23.32. Notwithstanding G.S. 138-5(a)(1), those members of the North Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Advisory Council, the Statewide Independent Living Council, and the Commission for the Blind, who are unemployed or who must forfeit

wages from other employment to attend council or commission meetings or to perform related duties, may receive compensation not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) a day for attending these meetings or for performing related duties, as authorized in Sections 105 and 705 of P.L. 102-569, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. § 701 et seq., as amended. This compensation is instead of the compensation specified in G.S. 138-5(a)(1). Reimbursement for subsistence and travel expenses is as specified in G.S. 138-5.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

DHR STUDY OF DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES' PROGRAMS AND SERVICES EXTENDED

Sec. 23.34. Section 25.26 of Chapter 769 of the 1993 Session Laws, Regular Session 1994, which amended subsection (d) of Section 36 of Chapter 24 of the Session Laws of the 1994 Extra Session reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 25.26. Subsection (d) of Section 36 of Chapter 24 of the 1994 Extra Session reads as rewritten:

'(d) The Department shall complete this study by March 1, 1995, October 1, 1995, and shall report the results of this study to the 1995 General Assembly by April 1, 1995. November 1, 1995.'''

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

COMMUNITY-BASED ALTERNATIVES PARTICIPATION

Sec. 23.35. County governments participating in the Community-Based Alternatives Program shall certify annually to the Division of Youth Services, Department of Human Resources, that Community-Based Alternatives Aid to Counties shall not be used to duplicate or supplant other programs within the county.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Guilford

EDUCATION AND SERVICES FOR CERTAIN DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING STUDENTS

Sec. 23.35A. Of the funds appropriated to the Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Department of Human Resources, for the 1995-96 fiscal year, the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year shall be used as transition grants for the local school administrative units for the 1995-96 academic year that are educating students who were educated at the Central North Carolina School for the Deaf during the 1994-95 academic year. These funds shall be allocated to the local school administrative units on the basis of twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) per such student per academic year.

 Requested by: Senator Clark

REINSTATE FUNDS FOR REGIONAL OFFICES

Sec. 23.35B. The Department of Human Resources shall reallocate funds appropriated in this act for the support of positions in the Central Office of the Division

of Social Services in sufficient amount to reinstate the 12 positions in Regional Offices eliminated in this act.

PART 24. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

 Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

AUTHORIZE THE AGRICULTURAL FINANCE AUTHORITY TO USE THE INTEREST FROM THE RESERVE FOR FARM LOANS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Sec. 24. Funds in the Reserve for Farm Loans shall be used for the purposes set out in Chapter 122D of the General Statutes, but shall not be used for the administration of that Chapter. Interest on funds in the Reserve for Farm Loans and interest from agricultural loans, as defined in G.S. 122D-3, may be used for any of the purposes set out in Chapter 122D of the General Statutes and for the administration of that Chapter.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

STUDY REGARDING THE STATE FARMERS MARKETS COSTS

Sec. 24.1. The Department of Agriculture shall evaluate and recommend options for each of the State's Farmers Markets to reach a goal of becoming self-supporting within four years. No later than April 1, 1996, the Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.

 Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

FEASIBILITY STUDY REGARDING FEES AT THE MARITIME MUSEUM

Sec. 24.2. The Department of Agriculture shall study the feasibility of charging admission fees at the North Carolina Maritime Museum. This study shall evaluate different options for admission fees and shall include a proposed implementation plan, anticipated revenues, anticipated costs of developing and implementing admission fees, and anticipated personnel that would be required for each admission fee option. No later than April 1, 1996, the Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

TIMBER SALES FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE OF STATE FARMS FORESTLANDS

Sec. 24.3. From funds received from the sale of timber that are deposited with the State Treasurer pursuant to G.S. 146-30 to the credit of the Department of Agriculture in a capital improvement account, the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) is transferred to the Reserve for Forest Management for expenditure during the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) is transferred to the Reserve for Forest Management for expenditure during the 1996-97 fiscal year. The Department

may increase its expenditures of timber receipts by twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) each year, provided that the maximum expenditure in each fiscal year shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). These funds are in addition to any other funds already in that Reserve.

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PART 25. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FUND/LOCAL MATCH

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Sec. 25. Local governments requesting financial assistance from the Industrial Development Fund that wish to request to be exempted from the local matching requirements placed on the receipt of this assistance shall demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Department of Commerce that it would be an economic hardship for the local government to match State assistance from the Fund with local funds. The Department shall develop guidelines for determining hardship.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

REGIONAL COMMISSION REPORTS

Sec. 25.3. The regional economic development commissions receiving grants-in-aid from the Department of Commerce shall report on their programs to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on or before March 1 and October 1 of each fiscal year, and more frequently as requested by the Commission. The reports shall include information on the activities and accomplishments during the past fiscal year, itemized expenditures during the past fiscal year with sources of funding, planned activities and accomplishments for at least the next 12 months, and itemized anticipated expenditures with sources of funding for the next 12 months.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ALLOCATIONS

- Funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Commerce for Sec. 25.4. (a) regional economic development commissions shall be allocated to the following commissions in accordance with subsection (b) of this section: Western North Carolina Economic Development Commission, Research Regional Triangle Commission. Southeastern North Carolina Regional Economic Development Commission, Piedmont Triad Partnership, Northeastern North Carolina Regional Economic Development Commission, Global TransPark Development Commission, and Carolinas Partnership, Inc.
- (b) Funds appropriated pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be allocated to each regional economic development commission as follows:
 - (1) First, the Department shall establish each commission's allocation by determining the sum of allocations to each county that is a member of that commission. Each county's allocation shall be determined by dividing the county's distress factor by the sum of the distress factors for

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eligible counties and multiplying the resulting percentage by the amount of the appropriation. As used in this subdivision, the term "distress factor" means a county's distress factor as calculated under G.S. 105-130.40(c);

- Next, the Department shall subtract from funds allocated to the Global (2) TransPark Development Zone the sum of three hundred fifteen thousand dollars (\$315,000) in each fiscal year, which sum represents the interest earnings of the Global TransPark Development Zone in each fiscal year; and
- (3) Next, the Department shall redistribute the sum of three hundred fifteen thousand dollars (\$315,000) in each fiscal year to the seven regional economic development commissions named in subsection (a) of this Each commission's share of this redistribution shall be section. determined according to the distress factor formula set out in subdivision (1) of this subsection. This redistribution shall be in addition to each commission's allocation determined under subdivision (1) of this subsection.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

TOURISM PROMOTION FUNDS

Sec. 25.5. Funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Commerce for tourism promotion grants shall be allocated according to per capita income, unemployment, and population growth in an effort to direct funds to counties most in need in terms of lowest per capita income, highest unemployment, and slowest population growth, in the following manner:

- Counties 1 through 20 are each eligible to receive a maximum grant of \$7,500 for each fiscal year, provided these funds are matched on the basis of one non-State dollar for every four State dollars.
- Counties 21 through 50 are each eligible to receive a maximum grant of (2) \$3,500 for two of the next three fiscal years, provided these funds are matched on the basis of one non-State dollar for every three State dollars.
- Counties 51 through 100 are each eligible to receive a maximum grant (3) of \$3,500 for alternating fiscal years, beginning with the 1991-92 fiscal year, provided these funds are matched on the basis of four non-State dollars for every State dollar.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER

Sec. 25.7. (a) The North Carolina Biotechnology Center shall recapture funds spent in support of successful research efforts in the nonacademic private sector.

- (b) The North Carolina Biotechnology Center shall provide funding for biotechnology and related bioscience applications under its Economic and Corporate Development Program.
- (c) The North Carolina Biotechnology Center shall report on all of the Center's programs to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Fiscal Research Division on or before March 1 of each fiscal year, and more frequently as requested by the Commission. The initial report shall include information on the activities and accomplishments during the past fiscal year, itemized expenditures during the past fiscal year with sources of funding, planned activities and accomplishments for at least the next 12 months, and itemized anticipated expenditures with sources of funding for the next 12 months. Subsequent reports shall include updates of the initial report.
- (d) The North Carolina Biotechnology Center shall provide a report containing detailed budget, personnel, and salary information to the Office of State Budget and Management and to the Fiscal Research Division in the same manner as State departments and agencies in preparation for biennium budget requests.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

BIOTECHNOLOGY FUNDS FOR MINORITY UNIVERSITIES

- Sec. 25.8. Of the funds appropriated in this act from the General Fund to the North Carolina Biotechnology Center for the 1995-96 and the 1996-97 fiscal years, the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in each fiscal year shall be used to continue the special biotechnology program initiative for North Carolina's Public Historically Black Universities and Pembroke State University. This program initiative is a means to get more funds to these institutions of higher education in the short run to help them develop their biotechnology programs and a means to develop a mechanism to improve these institutions' capacity over the long term. The Center's special initiative shall, at a minimum, provide for:
 - (1) A range of program activities, including grants, designed to enhance the existing strengths and capabilities of Pembroke State University, and the Public Historically Black Universities;
 - (2) A Facilities and Infrastructure Review Committee to advise the Center on major program elements and priority projects that would be most helpful to these institutions; and
 - (3) A Program Advisory Panel with representation from these institutions to advise and make recommendations to the Center's President and Board of Directors on funding proposals under this initiative.
- The Center shall report on its biotechnology program grants to universities to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Fiscal Research Division on or before March 1 of each fiscal year, and more frequently as requested by the Commission. These reports shall include the current number of enrollments and the capacity of enrollments in the biotechnology program in each of the universities, the number of faculty in the biotechnology program in each of the universities, whether and to what extent the enrollments, capacity, and number of faculty have changed in the last

three academic years in the biotechnology program in each of the universities, how the funds allocated by this section are being used in each of the universities, and any other information that indicates whether these grants are accomplishing their purpose.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

MCNC

- Sec. 25.9. (a) MCNC shall report on all of its programs to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Fiscal Research Division on or before March 1 of each fiscal year, and more frequently as requested by the Commission. The reports shall include information on the activities and accomplishments during the past fiscal year, itemized expenditures during the past fiscal year with sources of funding, planned activities, and accomplishments for at least the next 12 months, and itemized anticipated expenditures with sources of funding for the next 12 months. The report on the activities of the Supercomputer program shall identify the users of the Supercomputer, the major projects conducted by the users, and the potential benefits of the projects.
- (b) MCNC shall provide a report containing detailed budget information to the Office of State Budget and Management in the same manner as State departments and agencies in preparation for biennium budget requests. Specific salary information will be provided upon written request by the Chairs of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations or the Chairs of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources and the Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Natural and Economic Resources.
 - (c) The funds appropriated in this act to MCNC shall be used as follows:

25		FY 1995-96	<u>FY 1996-97</u>
26	Microelectronics Program	\$5,362,523	
27	\$5,362,523		
28	Supercomputer	9,576,319	
29	9,576,319		
30	Telecommunications	4,826,158	
31	4,826,158		

- Of the funds appropriated to MCNC for the Microelectronics Program, five million three hundred sixty-two thousand five hundred twenty-three dollars (\$5,362,523) in each fiscal year is contingent upon a dollar-for-dollar match in non-State funds.
- (e) If MCNC finds it necessary to make changes in the program allocations specified in subsection (c) of this section, MCNC shall report such changes to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations 30 days before the reallocation.
- (f) Funds appropriated in this act to MCNC for Migration of Current Network to the North Carolina Information Highway System (NCIHS) shall be used as follows:
 - To cover the costs of connecting and operating the North Carolina (1) Research and Education Network through the North Carolina Information Highway so that universities and research centers will

continue to have the capability currently available through the North Carolina Research and Education Network,

- (2) For program support, and
- (3) For MCNC to serve as gateway to the North Carolina Information Highway for the 18 sites.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

MCNC PLAN FOR SELF-SUPPORT

Sec. 25.10. MCNC shall develop a plan for carrying out its statutory, contractual, and other duties, responsibilities, and purposes without financial support from the State through General Fund or other appropriations. The plan shall provide for MCNC to be totally self-supporting by July 1, 1999. MCNC shall submit the plan to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations not later than April 1, 1996. The plan shall indicate, at a minimum, the following:

- (1) Financial support received from State appropriations for each of the last six years;
- (2) Activities and purposes for which State appropriated funds were used over the last six years;
- (3) Funds that will be needed to continue operations over each of the fiscal years commencing July 1, 1995; and
- (4) Public and private sources and amounts of anticipated revenue for each fiscal year commencing July 1, 1995 through June 30, 2001.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Sec. 25.11. (a) Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Rural Economic Development Center the sum of one million two hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$1,270,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of one million two hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$1,270,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year shall be allocated as follows:

30		95-96 FY	96-97 FY
31	Research & Demonstration Grants	\$475,864	\$475,864
32	Technical Assistance and Center		
33	Administration of Research and		
34	Demonstration Grants		444,136
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36	Center Administration, Oversight,		
37	and Other Programs		350,000
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(b) The Rural Economic Development Center, Inc., shall report on the Center's programs to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on or before March 1 of each fiscal year, and more frequently as requested by the Commission. The report shall include information on the activities and accomplishments during the fiscal year, itemized expenditures during the fiscal year with sources of funding, planned

activities and accomplishments for at least the next 12 months, and itemized anticipated expenditures with sources of funding for the next fiscal year.

(c) The Rural Economic Development Center, Inc., shall provide a report containing detailed budget, personnel, and salary information to the Office of State Budget and Management in the same manner as State departments and agencies in preparation for biennium budget requests.

(d) Not more than fifty percent (50%) of the interest earned on State funds appropriated to the Rural Economic Development Center, Inc., may be used by the Rural Economic Development Center, Inc., for administrative purposes, including salaries and fringe benefits.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

OPPORTUNITIES INDUSTRIALIZATION CENTER FUNDS

Sec. 25.12. Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Rural Economic Development Center, Inc., the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year shall be allocated as follows:

- (1) \$25,000 in each fiscal year to the Opportunities Industrialization Center of Wilson, Inc., for its ongoing job training programs;
- (2) \$25,000 in each fiscal year to Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc., in Rocky Mount, for its ongoing job training programs;
- (3) \$25,000 in each fiscal year to Pitt-Greenville Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc. for its ongoing job training programs; and
- (4) \$25,000 in each fiscal year to the Opportunities Industrialization Center of Lenoir, Green, and Jones Counties.

The Rural Economic Development Center, Inc., shall report on the use of these funds to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on or before March 1 of each fiscal year, and more frequently as requested by the Commission.

Requested by: Senator McKoy

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

Sec. 25.13. Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Commerce, the sum of one million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000) for fiscal year 1995-96 and the sum of one million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000) for fiscal year 1996-97 shall be used to support the grant and loan fund and operations of the North Carolina Community Development Initiative, Inc. The Initiative shall provide operating and project activity grants to mature community development corporations that have demonstrated project and organizational capacity.

The North Carolina Community Development Initiative, Inc., shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on the use of these funds on or before March 1 of each fiscal year, and more frequently as requested by the Commission.

PART 26. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Requested by: Representatives Baker, Nichols, Senator Martin of Pitt

EHNR STUDY STATE-FUNDED ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Sec. 26. The Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources shall prepare a report identifying all State-funded environmental education programs, activities, and initiatives statewide, including efforts by all State entities as well as efforts by other entities funded by grants-in-aid. In addition, the Department shall include in its report a plan for consolidating some or all of these programs, activities, and initiatives. The Department shall submit this report on or before January 15, 1996, to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

FUNDS FOR VOLUNTARY REMEDIAL ACTIONS

- Sec. 26.1. (a) During the 1995-97 fiscal biennium, the Secretary of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources may contribute from the Inactive Hazardous Sites Cleanup Fund up to ten percent (10%) of the cost each fiscal year, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per site, of implementing a voluntary remedial action program at up to three high-priority sites that substantially endanger public health or the environment.
- (b) No later than April 1 of each year of the 1995-97 fiscal biennium, the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources shall report to the General Assembly. Each report shall contain the location of the sites for which a voluntary remedial action program was implemented under subsection (a) of this section, the rationale for the State contributing to the cost of that remedial action, and the amount of the contribution made from the Inactive Hazardous Sites Cleanup Fund.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

WASTE REDUCTION ASSISTANCE TO SMALL BUSINESSES WITH NEED

Sec. 26.2A. The Office of Waste Reduction shall, to the extent feasible, give greatest priority to small businesses that can demonstrate financial need when the Office of Waste Reduction awards grants or otherwise provides technical or financial assistance.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

PARTNERSHIP FOR THE SOUNDS, INC.

Sec. 26.3. Partnership for the Sounds, Inc., shall report on all of its programs to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Fiscal Research Division on March 1 of each fiscal year, and more frequently as requested by the Commission. The reports shall include information on the activities and the accomplishments during the past fiscal year, itemized expenditures during the past fiscal year with sources of funding, planned activities, and accomplishments for at least the next 12 months, and itemized anticipated expenditures with sources of funding for the next 12 months.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL AID TO COUNTIES FLEXIBILITY

Sec. 26.4. (a) For the 1995-96 and 1996-97 fiscal years, the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources may combine and allocate funds appropriated for Aid to Counties in the Acute Communicable Disease Control Fund, the Tuberculosis Control Fund, and the Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Fund into one Acute Communicable Disease Control Aid to Counties Grant. Communicable Disease Aid to Counties funding to local health departments and other authorized recipients will be based on a general communicable disease formula to be developed by the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources.

(b) The Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, in conjunction with local health departments, will maintain a system to monitor and identify Aid to Counties communicable disease expenditures by each communicable disease group. The Department shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations not later than October 1, 1995, and annually thereafter, on Aid to Counties expenditures by county for each communicable disease group and the purpose of the expenditures for the fiscal year. The report shall also include an evaluation of the effectiveness of combining Aid to Counties funding into one grant fund and the effectiveness of the formula used to allocate funds.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

DWI TEST CHANGES

Sec. 26.5. (a) Section 272 of Chapter 321 of the 1993 Session Laws is repealed.

(b) Amounts collected under G.S. 20-16.5(j) for fiscal years 1993-94 and 1994-95 and designated for the alcohol testing program of the Injury Control Section of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources shall not revert to the General Fund unless the amounts exceed the amounts appropriated by the General Assembly for the 1993-94 and 1994-95 fiscal years.

Beginning with the 1995-96 fiscal year, any funds collected under G.S. 20-16.5(j) that are designated for the alcohol testing program of the Injury Control Section of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources and are not needed for that program shall be transferred annually to the Governor's Highway Safety Program for grants to local law enforcement agencies for training and enforcement of the laws on driving while impaired. The Governor's Highway Safety Program shall expend funds transferred to it under this section within 13 months of receipt of the funds. Amounts received by the Governor's Highway Safety Program shall not revert until the June 30 following the 13-month period.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM FUNDING

Sec. 26.6. (a) Of the funds appropriated to the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources for the 1995-97 fiscal biennium for childhood

immunization programs for positions, operating support, equipment, and pharmaceuticals, the sum of up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) each fiscal year may be used for projects and activities that are also designed to increase childhood immunization rates in North Carolina. These projects and activities shall include the following:

- (1) Outreach efforts at the State and local levels to improve service delivery of vaccines. Outreach efforts may include educational seminars, media advertising, support services to parents to enable children to be transported to clinics, longer operating hours for clinics, and mobile vaccine units; and
- (2) Continued development of an automated immunization registry.
- (b) Funds authorized to be used for immunization efforts under subsection (a) of this section shall not be used to fund additional State positions in the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources.

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Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION INTERN PROGRAM

Sec. 26.7. Of the funds appropriated to the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources for the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), the sum of up to one hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$170,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of up to one hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$170,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year may be used for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a Public Health Nutritionist Internship Program.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

MOSOUITO CONTROL FUNDS/USAGE

Sec. 26.7A. G.S. 130A-347 reads as rewritten:

"§ 130A-347. Mosquito control funds.

Funds received by the Department for mosquito control may be used to aid mosquito control districts and other units of local government engaged in mosquito control. The Commission shall adopt rules concerning the allocation of the funds. The rules shall provide for priority funding to those local activities that involve the abatement of breeding grounds. The rules may include provisions to withhold part of the mosquito control funds for the suppression of potential or documented mosquito-borne disease outbreaks. State aid for local physical control methods such as, but not limited to, cleaning, reopening or construction of ditches, restoration of streams and construction of impoundments shall not exceed the amount of funds and the value of services and facilities provided locally except State aid may be provided up to twice the locally provided amount for physical control methods in salt marsh areas. State aid for local chemical and biological control methods such as, but not limited to, control of immature and adult mosquitoes by use of chemicals, bacteria, fungi and mosquito fish shall not exceed the amount of funds and the value of services and facilities provided locally. State aid shall not be granted with respect to each individual project until the Department finds

and certifies in writing for each project that: (i) the required local share is available; (ii) there is a documented mosquito problem which requires abatement; (iii) a work plan describing the method and procedures to be used for abatement is appropriate; and (iv) the rules of the Commission have been met."

Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY PREVENTION COALITION OF N.C./REPORTING

Sec. 26.7B. The Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Coalition of N.C. shall report on all of its programs to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on or before March 1 of each fiscal year and more frequently as requested by the Commission. The reports shall include information on the Coalition's activities and accomplishments during the past fiscal year, a list of the groups, organizations, communities, and other recipients of assistance from the Coalition in the last 12 months, itemized expenditures during the past fiscal year with sources of funding, planned activities, and accomplishments for at least the next 12 months, and itemized anticipated expenditures with sources of funding for the next 12 months.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

ADDITIONAL USE OF AQUARIUM FEES

Sec. 26.8A. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 143B-344.17, the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources may use funds in the North Carolina Special Aquariums Fund for one full-time position at each aquarium site to collect admission fees and to maintain records of visitors at the sites and, during high visitation periods, for seasonal temporary positions at each site for additional maintenance, housekeeping, and educational services and to collect admission fees.

Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

STATE PARK FUNDS

Sec. 26.8B. Of the funds appropriated to the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources in this act, the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for each fiscal year of the 1995-97 fiscal biennium shall be allocated to the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund established in G.S. 113-44.15 and expended in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 113-44.15(b).

 Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

BLUE RIBBON ADVISORY COUNCIL ON OYSTERS

Sec. 26.8C. (a) Subsection (f) of Section 27.16 of Chapter 769 of the 1993 Session Laws reads as rewritten:

"(f) The Advisory Council shall make written quarterly reports to the Marine Fisheries Commission and the Joint Legislative Commission on Seafood and Aquaculture beginning October 1, 1994. The Advisory Council shall complete its study and make its

final written report on or before October 1, 1995. June 30, 1997. Upon making its final written report, the Advisory Council shall terminate."

(b) Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1995-96 fiscal year and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year shall be used for administrative and other expenses incurred by the Blue Ribbon Advisory Council on Oysters.

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Requested by: Senator Martin of Pitt

OCCONEECHEE MOUNTAIN, BIRD ISLAND, HAMMOCKS BEACH STATE PARK LAND ACQUISITION FUNDS

Sec. 26.8D. Notwithstanding G.S. 143-16.3, the Divisions of Parks and Recreation and of Coastal Management of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources may apply to the Natural Heritage Trust Fund and to other State and federal agencies for funds to acquire Occoneechee Mountain, Bird Island, and additional land at Hammocks Beach State Park.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

GRASSROOTS SCIENCE PROGRAM

Sec. 26.10. Of the funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources for the Grassroots Science Program, the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for fiscal year 1995-96 and the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for fiscal year 1996-97 are allocated as grants-in-aid for each fiscal year as follows:

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25	Catawba		Science		Center
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32	Life		and		Science
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34	Rocky	Mount		Children's	Museum
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36	Schiele	Museum	of	Natural	History
37	\$50,000				
38	Sci Works Science Center and Environmental				
39	Park	of		Forsyth	County
40	\$50,000				
41	Natural	Science	Center	of	Greensboro
42	\$50,000				

1	Western	North	Carolina	Nature	Center
2	\$15,000				
3	The Health A	dventure Museum	of Pack Place		
4	Education, A	Arts and Science			
5	Center,				Inc.
6	\$35,000				
7	Cape		Fear		Museum
8	\$50,000				

PART 27. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

ELEVATOR DIVISION SELF-SUPPORTING

Sec. 27. The Department of Labor shall study and make recommendations to the General Assembly on a plan to make the Elevator Division of the Department of Labor self-supporting. The report shall study the corresponding fee increases that will be required for inspection periods of six months, nine months, and twelve months. The report shall also state the corresponding operating costs and personnel requirements, including expansions and reductions of positions, for each inspection period. The Department's plan shall be developed as if it were to be implemented in the 1996-97 fiscal year. The Department shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations of the General Assembly on or before April 1, 1996.

Requested by: Representatives Mitchell, Weatherly, Senator Martin of Pitt

OSHA POSITIONS

- Sec. 27.1. (a) The Department of Labor may use funds appropriated to the Department of Labor for the Occupational Safety and Health Act of North Carolina (OSHANC) program to fully fund enforcement personnel in the Compliance Bureau of the OSHANC program, provided the Department of Labor certifies to the Office of State Budget and Management that no federal match is available for the 1995-96 fiscal year and for the 1996-97 fiscal year.
- (b) If federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration funds are granted to match all or part of the funds for enforcement positions and support that are one hundred percent (100%) State-funded, then State funds equivalent to the federal match shall revert to the General Fund at the end of the fiscal year for which the federal match was received.

- Requested by: Representative Ken Miller, Senator Martin of Pitt
- **DEPARTMENTAL** STUDY OF WORKPLACE RETALIATORY
 40 **DISCRIMINATION DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**
 - Sec. 27.2. The Department of Labor, the Department of Commerce, and the Employment Security Commission shall jointly undertake a study to determine if the functions of the Workplace Retaliatory Discrimination Division of the Department of

- 1 Labor can effectively and efficiently be combined with certain related activities of the
- 2 Employment Security Commission. The study shall include review of federal law
- 3 pertaining to employment security and retaliatory discrimination to ensure that the
- 4 combining of these functions would not conflict with pertinent federal law. The
- 5 Department of Labor shall be the lead agency on this study and shall report the results
- and recommendations of the study to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental
- 7 Operations by March 1, 1996.

PART 28. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

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Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

EFFECT OF HEADINGS

Sec. 28. The headings to the Parts and sections of this act are a convenience to the reader and are for reference only. The headings do not expand, limit, or define the text of this act

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- Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue
 - EXECUTIVE BUDGET ACT REFERENCE

Sec. 28.1. The provisions of the Executive Budget Act, Chapter 143, Article 1 of the General Statutes, are reenacted and shall remain in full force and effect and are incorporated in this act by reference.

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Requested by: Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

COMMITTEE REPORT

- Sec. 28.2. (a) The Senate Appropriations Committee Continuation Budget Report, dated May 17, 1995, which was distributed in the Senate and used to explain this act, shall indicate action by the General Assembly on this act and shall therefore be used to construe this act, as provided in G.S. 143-15 of the Executive Budget Act, and for these purposes shall be considered a part of this act.
- (b) The budget enacted by the General Assembly for the maintenance of the various departments, institutions, and other spending agencies of the State for the 1995-97 fiscal biennium is a line item budget, in accordance with the Budget Code Structure and the State Accounting System Uniform Chart of Accounts set out in the Administrative Policies and Procedures Manual of the Office of the State Controller. This budget includes the appropriations made from all sources including the General Fund, Highway Fund, special funds, cash balances, federal receipts, and departmental receipts.

The General Assembly amended the itemized budget requests submitted to the General Assembly by the Director of the Budget and the Advisory Budget Commission, in accordance with the steps that follow and the line item detail in the budget enacted by the General Assembly may be derived accordingly:

- Negative reserves set out in the submitted budget were deleted and the totals were increased accordingly.

 The base budget was adjusted in accordance with the base budget cuts
 - (2) The base budget was adjusted in accordance with the base budget cuts and additions that were set out in the Senate Appropriations Committee Continuation Budget Report, dated May 17, 1995.
 - (3) Transfers of funds supporting programs were made in accordance with the Senate Appropriations Committee Continuation Budget Report, dated May 17, 1995.

The budget enacted by the General Assembly shall also be interpreted in accordance with the special provisions in this act and in accordance with other appropriate legislation.

In the event that there is a conflict between the line item budget certified by the Director of the Budget and the budget enacted by the General Assembly, the budget enacted by the General Assembly shall prevail.

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Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue

MOST TEXT APPLIES ONLY TO 1995-97

Sec. 28.3. Except for statutory changes or other provisions that clearly indicate an intention to have effects beyond the 1995-97 biennium, the textual provisions of this act shall apply only to funds appropriated for and activities occurring during the 1995-97 biennium.

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- Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler, Perdue
- 26 **SEVERABILITY CLAUSE**

Sec. 28.4. If any section or provision of this act is declared unconstitutional or invalid by the courts, it does not affect the validity of the act as a whole or any part other than the part so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

- 31 Requested by: Representatives Holmes, Creech, Esposito, Senators Odom, Plyler,
- 32 Perdue
- 33 **EFFECTIVE DATE**
- Sec. 28.5. Except as otherwise provided, this act becomes effective July 1,
- 35 1995.