## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## SESSION 1997

Short Title: Cancer Control Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Odom, Martin of Guilford, Carpenter; Ballance, Conder, Dalton, Dannelly, Forrester, Garwood, Hoyle, Jordan, Kerr, Kinnaird, Martin of Pitt, Shaw of Cumberland, Shaw of Guilford, Soles, Warren, Webster, Wellons, and Winner.

Referred to: Appropriations.

## February 27, 1997

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CANCER CONTROL.

Whereas, 39,500 North Carolinians will be diagnosed with cancer in 1997; and

Whereas, 16,000 North Carolinians will die from cancer in 1997; and

Whereas, one in every two men and one in every three women will be diagnosed with cancer during their lifetimes; and

Whereas, this impact can be dramatically reduced if proven advances in prevention, in early detection, and in care are made available; and

Whereas, the Advisory Committee on Cancer Coordination and Control, created by the General Assembly in 1993, has prepared a comprehensive, strategic plan for cancer control in the State, the North Carolina Cancer Control Plan 1996-2001, that outlines the specific strategies needed in our State; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources the sum of one million one hundred fifty-three thousand six hundred twenty-two dollars (\$1,153,622) for the 1997-98 fiscal year and the sum of one million sixty-three thousand six hundred two dollars (\$1,063,602) for the 1998-99 fiscal year for promoting the prevention, early detection, data collection,

- coordination, and optimal care in the control of cancer. Purposes for which funds appropriated under this section may be used include a total of six full-time equivalent
- 3 positions for the Central Cancer Registry, the Division of Health Promotion, and the
- 4 Advisory Committee on Cancer Coordination and Control. Funding for the Central
- 5 Cancer Registry, the Cancer Control Program, and the Advisory Committee on Cancer
- 6 Coordination and Control shall be included in the Department's continuation budget
- 7 request.
- 8 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.