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SENATE BILL 1482

Short Title: Comm. College Funds/Nurse Asst.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Purcell, Perdue; and Lucas.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

May 25, 2000

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES SYSTEM
OFFICE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATIVE TRAINING PROGRAMS
TO IMPROVE RECRUITING AND RETENTION OF CERTIFIED NURSING
ASSISTANTS IN NURSING FACILITIES.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Community Colleges System Office the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year. The funds shall be used for the development and implementation of on-site Internet training or other innovative training programs designed to improve recruitment and reduce turnover of certified nursing assistants in nursing facilities.

Section 2. The Community Colleges System Office shall work with nursing home providers to develop and implement the training program. The program shall be tested in at least five nursing facilities in the State.

Section 3. The Community Colleges System Office shall ensure that the program is evaluated by a committee composed of individuals representing the community colleges, the North Carolina Health Care Facilities Association, and the Division of Facility Services in the Department of Health and Human Services. Not later than June 30, 2001, the Community Colleges System Office shall report to the North

- 1 Carolina Study Commission on Aging on the use of these funds and implementation of
- 2 the program.
- 3 Section 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2000.