

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS55025-SHz-6* (01/09)

Short Title: Special Care Pop. Dentistry Funds and Study. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Dorsett, Dannelly, Allran, Bingham, and Malone.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
3 HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, FOR THE PURCHASE
4 OF AN ADDITIONAL MOBILE DENTAL UNIT, AND TO REQUIRE THE
5 BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO
6 STUDY THE DEDICATION OF ONE OR MORE DENTAL
7 SCHOLARSHIP-LOAN PROGRAM SLOTS TO DENTISTS SERVING SPECIAL
8 CARE POPULATIONS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA
9 STUDY COMMISSION ON AGING.

10 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

11 **SECTION 1.(a)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
12 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, the sum of two
13 hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year to be used by a new
14 or existing nonprofit mobile dental care provider to purchase an additional mobile
15 dental unit to serve special care populations, the frail elderly, and developmentally
16 disabled in geographic areas of the State that are not currently served by mobile dental
17 units.

18 **SECTION 1.(b)** The Department of Health and Human Services, Division
19 of Public Health, shall report to the North Carolina Study Commission on Aging by
20 September 1, 2008, on the status of the activities authorized in this section.

21 **SECTION 2.(a)** The Board of Governors of The University of North
22 Carolina shall study the feasibility of permanently dedicating one or more of the Board
23 of Governors' Dental Scholarship-Loan Program slots to individuals who will
24 predominately treat special care populations, primarily developmentally disabled
25 individuals, and the elderly.

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1 **SECTION 2.(b)** The Board of Governors of The University of North
2 Carolina shall report findings and recommendations on the study authorized in this
3 section to the North Carolina Study Commission on Aging on or before January 15,
4 2008.

5 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.