



NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AMENDMENT
Senate Bill 816

AMENDMENT NO. _____
(to be filled in by
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Amends Title [YES]
First Edition

Date _____, 2020

Senator Brown

1 moves to amend the bill on page 1, lines 2-18, by rewriting those lines to read:
2 "AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR ENROLLMENT GROWTH AT NORTH
3 CAROLINA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. Findings. - The General Assembly finds all of the following:

- 6 (1) The coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic has devastated the
7 economy in North Carolina, caused unprecedented job loss, and has
8 significantly disrupted the delivery of education by traditional four-year
9 institutions of higher education.
10 (2) COVID-19 has caused students enrolled in four-year institutions of higher
11 education primarily receiving online instruction to seek less expensive
12 alternatives.
13 (3) North Carolina community colleges can offer courses to students at a
14 significantly lower cost than four-year institutions of higher education.
15 (4) Students who take courses at community colleges can successfully transfer
16 credits to four-year institutions of higher education later in their education
17 pathways and overall have comparably positive educational outcomes to those
18 attending traditional colleges and universities at substantial savings.
19 (5) North Carolina community colleges also offer short-term workforce training
20 courses for unemployed individuals who have lost their jobs due to COVID-
21 19, which is crucial to the recovery of the economy in North Carolina.
22 (6) Enrollment has particularly increased in short-term workforce education due
23 to the growing emphasis of North Carolina's community colleges in meeting
24 the needs of the businesses of the State and people recognizing the value and
25 quality of a community college education.

26 SECTION 2. Transfer. - The State Controller shall transfer the sum of forty-one
27 million five hundred thousand dollars (\$41,500,000) from the Coronavirus Relief Reserve
28 established in Section 2.1 of S.L. 2020-4 to the Coronavirus Relief Fund established in Section
29 2.2 of that same act.

30 SECTION 3. Appropriation. - There is appropriated from the Coronavirus Relief
31 Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) the sum of forty-one million five
32 hundred thousand dollars (\$41,500,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2020-2021 fiscal year to



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1 be allocated to the Community Colleges System Office for enrollment growth at North Carolina's
2 community colleges.

3 **SECTION 4.** Requirements. – The requirements and limitations set forth in Part I of
4 S.L. 2020-4 shall apply to the funds appropriated by this act. OSBM shall include the funds
5 transferred and appropriated under this act in the report required under Section 1.7 of S.L. 2020-4.

6 **SECTION 5.** Effective Date. – This act becomes effective July 1, 2020.".

SIGNED _____
Amendment Sponsor

SIGNED _____
Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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