

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1961 SESSION

CHAPTER 1173
HOUSE BILL 848

1 AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY ALCOHOLIC
2 PROGRAMS.

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4 WHEREAS, the illness of alcoholism is considered by eminent medical authorities
5 to be one of our most prevalent public health problems; and

6 WHEREAS, the illness of alcoholism is found in every community in the State of
7 North Carolina; and

8 WHEREAS, many communities are taking local action to provide facilities of
9 education and referral to combat the illness of alcoholism; and

10 WHEREAS, some such communities are unable to initiate such programs of a
11 public health nature because of insufficient funds; Now, therefore,

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13 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

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15 **Section 1.** The State Alcoholic Rehabilitation Program, an agency of the State
16 Hospitals Board of Control, is designated as the State agency authorized to establish and
17 administer minimum standards for local community alcoholism programs as a condition for
18 participation in State grants-in-aid.

19 **Sec. 2.** The State Alcoholic Rehabilitation Program is authorized to develop and
20 promote local community alcoholism programs in accordance with the State policy hereafter
21 expressed:

22 (a) It shall be the policy of the State Alcoholic Rehabilitation Program to aid
23 financially the development of local community alcoholism programs only in those
24 communities which have manifested a readiness to contribute to the financial support of such
25 programs, assisted by State grants-in-aid to the extent available.

26 (b) It shall be the policy of limiting such grants-in-aid to any community
27 program to a period of two years.

28 **Sec. 3.** There is appropriated out of the General Fund of the State of North Carolina
29 to the State Alcoholic Rehabilitation Program the sum of forty-five thousand dollars
30 (\$45,000.00) to be designated as the Community Services Fund to be used to carry out the
31 intent of this Act and for necessary personnel.

32 **Sec. 4.** Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit or limit or encroach upon
33 the operation of community alcoholism programs in existence prior to this Act.

34 **Sec. 5.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

35 **Sec. 6.** This Act shall become effective upon its ratification.

36 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 22nd day of June,
37 1961.