

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1973 SESSION

CHAPTER 594
HOUSE BILL 937

AN ACT TO AMEND ARTICLE 8 OF CHAPTER 131 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES TO
PROVIDE FOR THE TREATMENT OF TUBERCULOSIS AND CANCER AT
WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA HOSPITAL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The title to Article 8 of Chapter 131, as the same appears in Volume 3B of the General Statutes, is hereby amended and rewritten to read as follows: "Western North Carolina Hospital.

Sec. 2. G.S. 131-61, as the same appears in Volume 3B of the General Statutes, is hereby amended and rewritten to read as follows:

"§ 131-61. **Tubercular, cancer, drug and alcohol addiction and other chronic disease hospital established in western North Carolina.** — Western North Carolina Sanatorium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis shall hereafter be known as 'Western North Carolina Hospital for the Treatment of Tuberculosis, cancer, drug and alcohol addiction and other chronic diseases'."

Sec. 3. Article 8 of Chapter 131, as the same appears in Volume 3B of the General Statutes, is hereby amended by adding a new section immediately following G.S. 131-61 to be designated G.S. 131-61.1 and to read as follows:

"§ 131-61.1. **Treatment and control of patients.** — Western North Carolina Sanatorium for the treatment of tuberculosis, cancer, drug and alcohol addiction and other chronic diseases is authorized to admit and treat patients afflicted with cancer, drug and alcohol addiction and other chronic diseases in the same manner as it now admits and treats patients afflicted with tuberculosis and shall have the same duties, responsibilities and control over persons thus admitted as it now has over tuberculosis patients."

Sec. 4. G.S. 131-62, as the same appears in Volume 3B of the General Statutes, is hereby amended by deleting immediately following the words "Control of said" in line 1 the word "sanatorium" and substituting in lieu thereof the word "hospital".

Sec. 5. This act shall become effective July 1, 1973.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 18th day of May, 1973.