

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 328
HOUSE BILL 505

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF INSTITUTIONALIZED PATIENTS WITHOUT NOTICE ONLY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT, EMERGENCY EVALUATION OR EMERGENCY SURGERY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 122-55.6, as it appears in the 1979 Cumulative Supplement to Volume 3B, is amended on lines 23 and 24 by deleting the words "Except in case of transfer for emergency surgery" and substituting therefor the words "Except in case of transfer for emergency medical treatment, emergency medical evaluation, or emergency surgery."

Sec. 2. G.S. 122-55.6 is further amended by adding a new sentence at the end of the second paragraph to read as follows:

"When a patient is transferred to another facility solely for medical reasons, the patient shall be returned to the original facility when the medical care is completed."

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 5th day of May, 1981.