GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 692 HOUSE BILL 882

AN ACT TO REQUIRE COLLEGE STUDENTS TO RECEIVE CERTAIN IMMUNIZATIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 130A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section as follows:

- "§ 130A-155.1. Submission of certificate to college or universities. (a) No person shall attend a college or university, whether public, private, or religious, excluding educational institutions established under Chapter 115D of the General Statutes, excluding students attending night classes only, and excluding students matriculating in off-campus courses at either public or private institutions, unless a certificate of immunization indicating that the person has received immunizations required by G.S. 130A-152 is presented to the college or university. The person shall present a certificate of immunization on or before the first day of matriculation to the registrar of the college or university, provided, however, that if a college or university obtains the certificate of immunization from a high school located in North Carolina, the requirements of this section are satisfied. If a certificate of immunization is not in the possession of the college or university on the first day of matriculation, the college or university shall present a notice of deficiency to the person. The person shall have 30 calendar days from the first day of attendance to obtain the required immunization. If the administration of vaccine in a series of doses given at medically approved intervals requires a period in excess of 30 calendar days, additional days upon certification by a physician may be allowed to obtain the required immunization. Upon termination of 30 calendar days or the extended period, the college or university shall not permit the person to attend the school unless the required immunization has been obtained.
- (b) The college or university shall maintain on file immunization records for all persons attending the school which contain the information required for a certificate of immunization as specified in G.S. 130A-154. These certificates shall be open to inspection by the Department and the local health department during normal business hours. When a person transfers to another college or university, the college or university which the person previously attended shall, upon request, send a copy of the person's immunization record at no charge to the college or university to which the person has transferred.
- (c) Within 60 calendar days after the commencement of a new school year, the college or university shall file an immunization report with the Department. The report shall be filed on forms prepared by the Department and shall state the number of

persons attending the school or facility, the number of persons who had not obtained the required immunization within 30 days of their first attendance, the number of persons who received a medical exemption and the number of persons who received a religious exemption.

- (d) The provisions of this act shall not apply to persons enrolled in a college or university on or before the effective date of this section."
- Sec. 2. G.S. 130A-157 is amended in the second sentence by inserting immediately before the word "school" the phrase "college, university,".
 - Sec. 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1986.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 11th day of July, 1985.