

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: S.B. 273 Cancer Control Reporting

SHORT TITLE: Cancer Control Reporting

SPONSOR(S): Senator Odom

FISCAL IMPACT				
Yes ()	No (X)	No Estimate Available ()		
<u>FY 1999-00</u>	<u>FY 2000-01</u>	<u>FY 2001-02</u>	<u>FY 2002-03</u>	<u>FY 2003-04</u>
REVENUES				
EXPENDITURES No Fiscal Impact				
POSITIONS:				
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Department of Health and Human Services – Central Cancer Registry, Division of Epidemiology				
EFFECTIVE DATE: When it becomes law.				

BILL SUMMARY: This bill amends GS 130A-209, requiring all health care facilities and health care providers that detect, diagnose, or treat cancer to report within 6 months to the Central Cancer Registry each diagnosis of cancer in persons receiving said services. Facilities or providers that fail to comply with this requirement will have information accessed and reported by cancer registry personnel, and may be charged reimbursement costs not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per case.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: Currently, the cancer incidence-reporting rate in NC is approximately 87%; thus, 13% of cancer incidences are not reported in the year they occur. The Central Cancer Registry over a period of years documents these additional cases and has found that private sector facilities and physicians, and two Veterans Administration hospitals are not promptly reporting to the registry. State-and county-operated facilities comply with cancer incidence reporting requirements. No fiscal impact is expected.

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