GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

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HOUSE DRH70142-LN-65 (3/6)

| Short Title: | Phase Out County Share of Medicaid. | (Public) |
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| Sponsors: | Representatives Clary and Barnhart (Primary Sponsors). | |
| Referred to: | | |

| 1 | A BILL TO BE ENTITLED |
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| 2 | AN ACT TO PHASE OUT THE COUNTY SHARE OF THE NONFEDERAL SHARE |
| 3 | OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM COSTS. |
| 4 | The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: |
| 5 | SECTION 1.(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, |
| 6 | the county portion of the nonfederal share of the State Medical Assistance Program is |
| 7 | reduced by three percent (3%) each fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2005, until the county |
| 8 | portion of the nonfederal share, excluding administrative costs, equals zero percent |
| 9 | (0%). Effective July 1, 2009, one hundred percent (100%) of the nonfederal share of |
| 10 | the costs of the Medical Assistance Program, excluding administrative costs, shall be |
| 11 | borne by the State. |
| 12 | SECTION 1.(b) Effective July 1, 2009, G.S. 108A-54 reads as rewritten: |
| 13 | "§ 108A-54. Authorization of Medical Assistance Program. |
| 14 | The Department is authorized and empowered to establish a Medical Assistance |
| 15 | Program from federal, State and county federal and State appropriations and to adopt |
| 16 | rules and regulations under which payments are to be made in accordance with the |
| 17 | provisions of this Part. The nonfederal share may be divided between the State and the |
| 18 | counties, in a manner consistent with the provisions of the federal Social Security Act, |
| 19 | except that the share required from the counties may not exceed the share required from |
| 20 | the state. If a portion of the nonfederal share is required from the counties, the boards of |
| 21 | county commissioners of the several counties shall levy, impose and collect the taxes |
| 22 | required for the special purpose of medical assistance as provided in this Part, in an |
| 23 | amount sufficient to cover each county's share of such assistance." |
| 24 | SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law. |