

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 640

Short Title: Phase Out County Share of Medicaid. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Clary, Barnhart (Primary Sponsors); Culp, Frye, Hilton, Justice, McCombs, Pate, Ray, Rayfield, Sauls, Setzer, and Walend.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 25, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PHASE OUT THE COUNTY SHARE OF THE NONFEDERAL SHARE
2 OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM COSTS.
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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.