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SENATE BILL 644

Short Title: UNC System/No Remedial Ed.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Brock; and Shubert.

Referred to: Education/Higher Education.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE
3 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SHALL NOT OFFER REMEDIAL
4 EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 116-11(3) reads as rewritten:

7 "(3) The Board shall determine the functions, educational activities and
8 academic programs of the constituent institutions. The Board shall also
9 determine the types of degrees to be awarded. The Board shall not
10 authorize programs of remedial education to be provided at constituent
11 institutions. The powers herein given to the Board shall not be
12 restricted by any provision of law assigning specific functions or
13 responsibilities to designated institutions, the powers herein given
14 superseding any such provisions of law. The Board, after adequate
15 notice and after affording the institutional board of trustees an
16 opportunity to be heard, shall have authority to withdraw approval of
17 any existing program if it appears that the program is unproductive,
18 excessively costly or unnecessarily duplicative. The Board shall
19 review the productivity of academic degree programs every two years,
20 using criteria specifically developed to determine program
21 productivity."

22 **SECTION 2.** Article 1 of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes is amended by
23 adding a new section to read:

24 **"§ 116-11.3. No remedial programs provided by constituent institutions.**

25 (a) No constituent institution shall provide a remedial education program or
26 course of remedial study for a student enrolled at the institution.

27 (b) The Board of Governors, in cooperation with the State Board of Education,
28 shall develop and implement a plan to ensure that each high school student who plans to
29 seek a college degree upon high school graduation is adequately prepared in his or her

1 course of academic study so that no remediation should be needed by a student who
2 enrolls at a constituent institution.

3 (c) The Board of Governors shall direct each constituent institution to develop a
4 program that will provide, upon request, a referral for any student enrolled or seeking
5 enrollment at the institution to an appropriate remedial program of studies offered
6 elsewhere."

7 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2005, and applies to
8 academic periods beginning on or after that date.